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**BEGUN AND HELD**  
**AT THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA,**  
**NOVEMBER 3, 1794,**

**AND IN THE NINETEENTH YEAR OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE SAID STATES.**

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# CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

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**T**HE second session of the third Congress, under the constitution of government of the United States, commenced this day at the City of Philadelphia, and the Senate assembled according to law.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1794.**

**PRESENT,**

The Honorable **RALPH IZARD**, President pro tempore, from the State of South Carolina.

From New Hampshire, the Honorable	{	John Langdon, and Samuel Livermore.
Massachusetts,	the Honorable	George Cabot.
Connecticut,	the Honorable	Oliver Ellsworth.
Rhode Island,	the Honorable	Theodore Foster.
Vermont,	the Honorable	Moses Robinson.
New York,	the Honorable	Rufus King.
Pennsylvania,	the Honorable	Robert Morris.
Kentucky,	the Honorable	John Brown.
North Carolina,	the Honorable	Benjamin Hawkins.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday; and the Honorable John Vining, from the state of Delaware, attended.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as on the 7th; and John Adams, Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate, attended.



The Honorable Alexander Martin, from the state of North Carolina, and the Honorable James Jackson, from the state of Georgia, severally attended.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday; and the Honorable William Bradford, from the state of Rhode Island, attended.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

The number assembled not being sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as on Friday.

The number assembled not being sufficient to form a quorum, the Vice President was requested, by the Senators present, to write a letter to each of the absent Senators, stating that a fortnight has already elapsed without the formation of a Senate, and urging their immediate attendance as necessary to enable Congress to commence the business of the session.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1794.**

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday; and the Honorable Aaron Burr, from the state of New York, attended.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled, and ready to proceed to business.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have formed a quorum, and are proceeding on the public business. And he withdrew.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Izard and Langdon be a joint committee, on the part of the Senate, together with such committee as the House of Representatives may appoint on their part, to wait on the President of the United States, and notify him that a quorum of the two houses is assembled, and ready to receive any communications that he may be pleased to make to them.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith, and request the appointment of a joint committee on their part.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have appointed a joint committee on their part to wait on the President of the United States, and notify him that a quorum of the two Houses is assembled, and ready to receive any communications that he may be pleased to make to them. And he withdrew.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a letter from Samuel Meredith, Treasurer of the United States, with his account of expenditures for the War Department, for the quarter ending the 30th June last, which was read.

*Ordered*, That the letter and account lie on the table.



Mr. Izard reported, from the joint committee appointed for that purpose, that they had waited on the President of the United States, and notified him that a quorum of the two Houses of Congress were assembled; and the President of the United States acquainted the committee that he would meet the two Houses in the Representatives' chamber at 12 o'clock to-morrow.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have resolved that two Chaplains, of different denominations, be appointed to Congress for the present session, one by each House, who shall interchange weekly; in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

Whereupon, the Senate proceeded to consider the said resolution; and,

*Resolved,* That they do concur therein, and that the Right Reverend Bishop White be the Chaplain on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary communicate the concurrence of the Senate in this resolution, together with their proceedings thereon, to the House of Representatives.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1794.

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday; and the Honorable John Edwards, from the state of Kentucky, attended.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives are now ready to meet the Senate in the Chamber of that House, to receive such communications as the President of the United States shall be pleased to make to them. And he withdrew.

Whereupon, the Senate repaired to the chamber of the House of Representatives for the purpose above expressed.

The Senate returned to their own chamber, and a copy of the speech of the President of the United States, to both Houses of Congress, was read, as follows:

*Fellow-Citizens of the Senate,  
and of the House of Representatives:*

When we call to mind the gracious indulgence of Heaven, by which the American people became a nation; when we survey the general prosperity of our country, and look forward to the riches, power, and happiness to which it seems destined; with the deepest regret do I announce to you that, during your recess, some of the citizens of the United States have been found capable of an insurrection. It is due, however, to the character of our government, and to its stability, which cannot be shaken by the enemies of order, freely to unfold the course of this event.

During the session of the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety, it was expedient to exercise the legislative power, granted by the constitution of the United States, "to lay and collect excises." In a majority of the states, scarcely an objection was heard to this mode of taxation. In some, indeed, alarms were at first conceived, until they were banished by reason and patriotism. In the four western counties of Pennsylvania, a prejudice, fostered and embittered by the artifice of men, who labored for an ascendancy over the will of others, by the guidance of their passions, produced symptoms of riot and violence. It is well known, that Congress did not hesitate to examine the complaints which were presented; and to relieve them, as far as justice dictated, or general convenience would permit. But, the impression which this moderation made on the discontented, did not correspond with what it deserved. The arts of delusion were no longer confined to the efforts of designing individuals. The very forbearance to press prosecutions was misinterpreted into a fear of urging the execution of the laws; and associations of men began to denounce threats against the officers employed. From a belief, that, by a more formal concert, their operation might be defeated, certain self-created societies assumed the tone of condemnation. Hence, while the greater part of Pennsylvania itself were conforming themselves to the acts of excise, a few counties were resolved to frustrate them. It was now perceived, that every expectation from the tenderness which had been hitherto pursued was unavailing, and that further delay could only create an opinion of impotency or irresolution in the government. Legal process was therefore delivered to the marshal against the rioters and delinquent distillers.

No sooner was he understood to be engaged in this duty, than the vengeance of armed men was aimed at his person, and the person and property of the inspector of the revenue. They fired upon the marshal, arrested him, and detained him, for some time, as a prisoner. He was obliged, by the jeopardy of his life, to renounce the service of other process, on the west side of the Allegheny mountain; and a deputation



was afterwards sent to him to demand a surrender of that which he *had* served. A numerous body repeatedly attacked the house of the inspector, seized his papers of office, and finally destroyed by fire his buildings and whatsoever they contained. Both of these officers, from a just regard to their safety, fled to the seat of government; it being avowed, that the motives to such outrages were to compel the resignation of the inspector; to withstand by force of arms the authority of the United States; and thereby to extort a repeal of the laws of excise, and an alteration in the conduct of government.

Upon the testimony of these facts, an associate justice of the supreme court of the United States notified to me that, "in the counties of Washington and Allegheny, in Pennsylvania, laws of the United States were opposed, and the execution thereof obstructed, by combinations, too powerful to be suppressed by the ordinary course of judicial proceedings, or by the powers vested in the marshal of that district." On this call, momentous in the extreme, I sought and weighed what might best subdue the crisis. On the one hand, the judiciary was pronounced to be stripped of its capacity to enforce the laws: crimes, which reached the very existence of social order, were perpetrated without control; the friends of government were insulted, abused, and overawed into silence, or an apparent acquiescence; and, to yield to the treasonable fury of so small a portion of the United States would be to violate the fundamental principle of our constitution, which enjoins that the will of the majority shall prevail. On the other, to array citizen against citizen, to publish the dishonor of such excesses, to encounter the expense, and other embarrassments, of so distant an expedition, were steps too delicate, too closely interwoven with many affecting considerations, to be lightly adopted. I postponed, therefore, the summoning the militia immediately into the field: but, I required them to be held in readiness, that, if my anxious endeavors to reclaim the deluded, and to convince the malignant of their danger, should be fruitless, military force might be prepared to act, before the season should be too far advanced.

My proclamation of the 7th of August last was accordingly issued, and accompanied by the appointment of commissioners, who were charged to repair to the scene of insurrection. They were authorized to confer with any bodies of men or individuals. They were instructed to be candid and explicit in stating the sensations which had been excited in the Executive, and his earnest wish to avoid a resort to coercion; to represent, however, that, without submission, coercion *must* be the resort; but to invite them, at the same time, to return to the demeanor of faithful citizens, by such accommodations as lay within the sphere of executive power. Pardon, too, was tendered to them by the government of the United States, and that of Pennsylvania, upon no other condition than a satisfactory assurance of obedience to the laws.

Although the report of the commissioners marks their firmness and abilities, and must unite all virtuous men, by shewing that the means of conciliation have been exhausted, all of those who had committed or abetted the tumults did not subscribe the mild form which was proposed as the atonement; and the indications of a peaceable temper were neither sufficiently general nor conclusive to recommend or warrant the farther suspension of the march of the militia.

Thus, the painful alternative could not be discarded. I ordered the militia to march; after once more admonishing the insurgents, in my proclamation of the 25th of September last.

It was a task too difficult to ascertain with precision the lowest degree of force competent to the quelling of the insurrection. From a respect, indeed, to economy, and the ease of my fellow-citizens belonging to the militia, it would have gratified me to accomplish such an estimate. My very reluctance to ascribe too much importance to the opposition, had its extent been accurately seen, would have been a decided inducement to the smallest efficient numbers. In this uncertainty, therefore, I put into motion fifteen thousand men, as being an army which, according to all human calculation, would be prompt and adequate in every view, and might, perhaps, by rendering resistance desperate, prevent the effusion of blood. Quotas had been assigned to the states of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia; the governor of Pennsylvania having declared, on this occasion, an opinion which justified a requisition to the other states.

As commander in chief of the militia, when called into the actual service of the United States, I have visited the places of general rendezvous, to obtain more exact information, and to direct a plan for ulterior movements. Had there been room for a persuasion, that the laws were secure from obstruction; that the civil magistrate was able to bring to justice such of the most culpable, as have not embraced the proffered terms of amnesty, and may be deemed fit objects of example; that the friends to



peace and good government were not in need of that aid and countenance which they ought always to receive, and, I trust, ever will receive, against the vicious and turbulent; I should have caught with avidity the opportunity of restoring the militia to their families and home. But, succeeding intelligence has tended to manifest the necessity of what has been done; it being now confessed by those, who were not inclined to exaggerate the ill conduct of the insurgents, that their malevolence was not pointed merely to a particular law; but that a spirit, inimical to all order, has actuated many of the offenders. If the state of things had afforded reason for the continuance of my presence with the army, it would not have been withholden. But every appearance assuring such an issue as will redound to the reputation and strength of the United States, I have judged it most proper to resume my duties at the seat of government, leaving the chief command with the governor of Virginia.

Still, however, as it is probable, that, in a commotion like the present, whatsoever may be the pretence, the purposes of mischief and revenge may not be laid aside, the stationing of a small force, for a certain period, in the four western counties of Pennsylvania will be indispensable, whether we contemplate the situation of those who are connected with the execution of the laws, or of others, who may have exposed themselves by an honorable attachment to them. Thirty days from the commencement of this session being the legal limitation of the employment of the militia, Congress cannot be too early occupied with this subject.

Among the discussions which may arise from this aspect of our affairs, and from the documents which will be submitted to Congress, it will not escape their observation, that not only the inspector of the revenue, but other officers of the United States in Pennsylvania, have, from their fidelity in the discharge of their functions, sustained material injuries to their property. The obligation and policy of indemnifying them are strong and obvious. It may also merit attention, whether policy will not enlarge this provision to the retribution of other citizens, who, though not under the ties of office, may have suffered damage by their generous exertions for upholding the constitution and the laws. The amount, even if all the injured were included, would not be great; and, on future emergencies, the government would be amply repaid by the influence of an example, that he, who incurs a loss in its defence, shall find a recompense in its liberality.

While there is cause to lament that occurrences of this nature should have disgraced the name, or interrupted the tranquility, of any part of our community, or should have diverted, to a new application, any portion of the public resources, there are not wanting real and substantial consolations for the misfortune. It has demonstrated, that our prosperity rests on solid foundations; by furnishing an additional proof, that my fellow-citizens understand the true principles of government and liberty: that they feel their inseparable union: that, notwithstanding all the devices which have been used to sway them from their interest and duty, they are now as ready to maintain the authority of the laws against licentious invasions, as they were to defend their rights against usurpation. It has been a spectacle, displaying to the highest advantage the value of republican government, to behold the most and the least wealthy of our citizens standing in the same ranks, as private soldiers, pre-eminently distinguished by being the army of the constitution; undeterred by a march of three hundred miles over rugged mountains, by the approach of an inclement season, or by any other discouragement. Nor ought I to omit to acknowledge the efficacious and patriotic co-operation which I have experienced from the chief magistrates of the states to which my requisitions have been addressed.

To every description of citizens, indeed, let praise be given. But, let them persevere in their affectionate vigilance over that precious depository of American happiness, the constitution of the United States. Let them cherish it, too, for the sake of those who, from every clime, are daily seeking a dwelling in our land. And when, in the calm moments of reflection, they shall have retraced the origin and progress of the insurrection, let them determine whether it has not been fomented by combinations of men, who, careless of consequences, and disregarding the unerring truth that those who rouse cannot always appease a civil convulsion, have disseminated, from an ignorance or perversion of facts, suspicions, jealousies, and accusations, of the whole government.

Having thus fulfilled the engagement which I took, when I entered into office, "to the best of my ability to preserve, protect, and defend, the constitution of the United States," on you, gentlemen, and the people by whom you are deputed, I rely for support.

In the arrangements to which the possibility of a similar contingency will naturally draw your attention, it ought not to be forgotten that the militia laws have exhibited



such striking defects as could not have been supplied but by the zeal of our citizens. Besides the extraordinary expense and waste, which are not the least of the defects, every appeal to those laws is attended with a doubt on its success.

The devising and establishing of a well regulated militia would be a genuine source of legislative honor, and a perfect title to public gratitude. I, therefore, entertain a hope, that the present session will not pass, without carrying, to its full energy, the power of organizing, arming, and disciplining, the militia; and thus providing, in the language of the constitution, for calling them forth to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions.

As auxiliary to the state of our defence, to which Congress can never too frequently recur, they will not omit to inquire whether the fortifications, which have been already licensed by law, be commensurate with our exigencies.

The intelligence from the army under the command of General Wayne is a happy presage to our military operations against the hostile Indians north of the Ohio. From the advices which have been forwarded, the advance which he has made must have damped the ardor of the savages, and weakened their obstinacy in waging war against the United States. And yet, even at this late hour, when our power to punish them cannot be questioned, we shall not be unwilling to cement a lasting peace upon terms of candor, equity, and good neighborhood.

Towards none of the Indian tribes have overtures of friendship been spared. The Creeks, in particular, are covered from encroachment by the interposition of the general government, and that of Georgia. From a desire, also, to remove the contents of the Six Nations, a settlement meditated at Presqu'isle, on Lake Erie, has been suspended; and an agent is now endeavoring to rectify any misconception into which they may have fallen. But, I cannot refrain from again pressing upon your deliberations the plan which I recommended at the last session, for the improvement of harmony with all the Indians within our limits, by the fixing and conducting of trading houses upon the principles then expressed.

*Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:*

The time which has elapsed since the commencement of our fiscal measures has developed our pecuniary resources, so as to open the way for a definitive plan for the redemption of the public debt. It is believed that the result is such as to encourage Congress to consummate this work without delay. Nothing can more promote the permanent welfare of the nation, and nothing would be more grateful to our constituents. Indeed, whatsoever is unfinished of our system of public credit, cannot be benefitted by procrastination; and, as far as may be practicable, we ought to place that credit on grounds which cannot be disturbed, and to prevent that progressive accumulation of debt, which must ultimately endanger all governments.

An estimate of the necessary appropriations, including the expenditures into which we have been driven by the insurrection, will be submitted to Congress.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

The mint of the United States has entered upon the coinage of the precious metals; and considerable sums of defective coins and bullion have been lodged with the director, by individuals. There is a pleasing prospect that the institution will, at no remote day, realize the expectation which was originally formed of its utility.

In subsequent communications, certain circumstances of our intercourse with foreign nations will be transmitted to Congress. However, it may not be unseasonable to announce, that my policy, in our foreign transactions, has been, to cultivate peace with all the world: to observe treaties with pure and absolute faith: to check every deviation from the line of impartiality: to explain what may have been misapprehended, and correct what may have been injurious to any nation: and, having thus acquired the right, to lose no time in acquiring the ability, to insist upon justice being done to ourselves.

Let us unite, therefore, in imploring the Supreme Ruler of nations to spread his holy protection over these United States; to turn the machinations of the wicked to the confirming of our constitution; to enable us, at all times, to root out internal sedition, and put invasion to flight; to perpetuate to our country that prosperity, which his goodness has already conferred, and to verify the anticipations of this government being a safe-guard to human rights.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, November 19, 1794.*



On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. King, Ellsworth, and Izard, be a committee to report the draft of an address to the President of the United States, in answer to his speech this day, to both Houses of Congress.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the speech of the President of the United States, this day communicated to both Houses of Congress, be printed for the use of the Senate.

The Vice President laid before the Senate the report of the commissioners of the sinking fund, which was read, as follows:

"The Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate, the Chief Justice, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Attorney General, respectfully report to Congress as follows:

"That, pursuant to the act, entitled 'An act making provision for the reduction of the public debt,' and in conformity to resolutions agreed upon by them, and severally approved by the President of the United States, they have, since their report dated the 16th of December, 1793, caused purchases of the said debt to be made, through the agency of Samuel Meredith, to the amount of one hundred and thirty-nine thousand and seventy-seven dollars and eighty-eight cents, for which there have been paid in specie one hundred thousand and sixty-one dollars and seventy-six cents.

"That, pursuant to the act, entitled 'An act supplementary to the act making provision for the debt of the United States,' and in conformity to resolutions agreed upon by them, and severally approved by the President of the United States, they have also caused purchases of the said debt to be made, subsequent to their said report of the sixteenth day of December, 1793, to the amount of one hundred and six thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars and thirty seven cents, for which there have been paid eighty five thousand eight hundred and thirty two dollars and ninety one cents in specie.

"That the documents accompanying this report, marked B, C, D, and E, shew the aforesaid purchases generally and in detail, including the places where, the times when, the prices at which, and the persons of whom, the purchases were made.

"That the documents marked A shew the proceedings of the accounting officers of the Treasury in respect to the settlement of an account for the expenditure of fifty thousand dollars in purchases which were stated in our former report, at the date of which the said settlement had not been completed.

"That the purchases now and heretofore reported amount together to two millions two hundred and sixty five thousand and twenty two dollars and fifty seven cents in stock, for which there have been paid in specie one million five hundred and eighty one thousand three hundred and twenty three dollars and sixty seven cents, as will be more particularly seen by the document marked F.

"On behalf of the board,

"JOHN ADAMS.

"*Philadelphia, November 18th, 1794.*"

*Ordered*, That this report lie on the table.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1794.

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary, with the following communications, to wit:

No. 1. Judge Wilson's Certificate.

2. The first proclamation of 7th August.

3. The instructions to the Commissioners.

4. The report of the Commissioners.

5. The second proclamation of 25th September.

6. The correspondence between the governor of Pennsylvania and the Secretary for the Department of State.

7. The report from the Secretary of the Treasury to the President of the United States.

8. Instructions to the governor of Virginia.

9. General Wayne's letters.

10. Papers respecting the Creek Indians and the state of Georgia.

11. Letters with respect to Presqu'isle.

12. A letter from the Director of the Mint.

These papers were in part read.



*Ordered*, That the further reading thereof be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. King, from the committee, reported an address to the President of the United States, in reply to his speech of the 19th, to both Houses of Congress, which was read.

*Ordered*, That to-morrow be assigned to take this report into consideration.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1794.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate took into consideration the report of the committee, in reply to the speech of the President of the United States to both Houses of Congress at the opening of the session; and it was agreed to consider the report in paragraphs.

On motion by Mr. Burr, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to expunge these words: "Our anxiety, arising from the licentious and open resistance to the laws in the western counties of Pennsylvania, has been increased by the proceedings of certain self-created societies, relative to the laws and administration of the government; proceedings, in our apprehension, founded in political error, calculated, if not intended, to disorganize our government, and which, by inspiring delusive hopes of support, have been influential in misleading our fellow citizens in the scene of insurrection."

It passed in the negative.

On motion to amend the paragraph respecting the army, under the command of General Wayne, to be read as follows:

"The pleasure with which we learn the success of the western army, under the command of General Wayne, is enhanced by the hope, that their victories will lay the foundation of a just and durable peace with the Indian tribes:"

It passed in the negative.

On motion to strike out of the second paragraph respecting the western army, the words: 'general and:'

It passed in the negative.

And the several paragraphs reported by the committee being agreed to, the report was adopted, as follows:

SIR: We receive with pleasure your speech to the two Houses of Congress. In it we perceive renewed proofs of that vigilant and paternal concern for the prosperity, honor, and happiness of our country, which has uniformly distinguished your past administration.

Our anxiety arising from the licentious and open resistance to the laws in the western counties of Pennsylvania has been increased by the proceedings of certain self-created societies, relative to the laws and administration of the government; proceedings, in our apprehension, founded in political error, calculated, if not intended, to disorganize our government, and which, by inspiring delusive hopes of support, have been influential in misleading our fellow citizens in the scene of insurrection.

In a situation so delicate and important, the lenient and persuasive measures which you adopted merit and receive our affectionate approbation. These failing to procure their proper effect, and coercion having become inevitable, we have derived the highest satisfaction from the enlightened patriotism and animating zeal with which the citizens of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia, have rallied around the standard of government, in opposition to anarchy and insurrection.

Our warm and cordial acknowledgments are due to you, Sir, for the wisdom and decision with which you arrayed the militia, to execute the public will; and to them, for the disinterestedness and alacrity with which they obeyed your summons.

The example is precious to the theory of our government, and confers the brightest honor upon the patriots who have given it.

We shall readily concur in such farther provisions for the security of internal peace and a due obedience to the laws, as the occasion manifestly requires.

The effectual organization of the militia, and a prudent attention to the fortifications of our ports and harbors, are subjects of great national importance, and, together with the other measures you have been pleased to recommend, will receive our deliberate consideration.

The success of the troops under the command of General Wayne cannot fail to produce essential advantages. The pleasure with which we acknowledge the merits of that gallant General and army, is enhanced by the hope that their victories will lay the foundation of a just and durable peace with the Indian tribes.

At a period so momentous in the affairs of nations, the temperate, just, and firm, policy that you have pursued, in respect to foreign powers, has been eminently calcu-



lated to promote the great and essential interest of our country, and has created the fairest title to the public gratitude and thanks.

JOHN ADAMS,  
*Vice President of the United States  
and President of the Senate.*

*Ordered,* That the committee who prepared the address wait on the President of the United States, and desire him to acquaint the Senate at what time and place it will be most convenient for him that it should be presented.

Mr. King reported, from the committee, that they had waited on the President of the United States, and that he would receive the address of the Senate to-morrow at 12 o'clock, at his own house.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr Dandridge, his Secretary.

*Gentlemen of the Senate  
and of the House of Representatives:*

I lay before Congress copies of a letter from the Governor of the state of New York, and of the exemplification of an act of the legislature thereof, ratifying the amendment of the constitution of the United States, proposed by the Senate and House of Representatives, at their last session, respecting the judicial power.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, November 21, 1794.*

*Ordered,* That the message and papers referred to lie on file.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a certificate of notice given to Rufus Putnam and others, agreeable to the order of Senate of 13th of May last, to shew cause respecting the claims of the people of Galliopolis; which was read.

*Ordered,* That it lie on the table.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Langdon, Izard, and Burr, be a committee, to report such rules as may be necessary to compel the attendance of the members of the Senate.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1794.

The Senate assembled: present as yesterday.

The Senate waited on the President of the United States, and the Vice President, in their name, presented the address agreed to on the 21st instant.

To which the President of the United States was pleased to make the following reply:

*Gentlemen:*

Among the occasions which have been afforded for expressing my sense of the zealous and stedfast co-operation of the Senate, in the maintenance of government, none has yet occurred more forcibly demanding my unqualified acknowledgments than the present.

Next to the consciousness of upright intentions, it is the highest pleasure to be approved by the enlightened representatives of a free nation. With the satisfaction, therefore, which arises from an unalterable attachment to public order, do I learn, that the Senate discountenance those proceedings, which would arrogate the direction of our affairs, without any degree of authority derived from the people.

It has been more than once the lot of our government to be thrown into new and delicate situations; and of these, the insurrection has not been the least important. Having been compelled at length to lay aside my repugnance to resort to arms, I derive much happiness from being confirmed by your judgment in the necessity of decisive measures, and from the support of my fellow citizens of the militia, who were the patriotic instruments of that necessity.

With such demonstrations of affection for our constitution; with an adequate organization of the militia; with the establishment of necessary fortifications; with a continuance of those judicious and spirited exertions which have brought victory to our western army; with a due attention to public credit; and an unsullied honor towards all nations; we may meet, under every assurance of success, our enemies from within and from without.

G. WASHINGTON.

The Senate returned to their own chamber.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1794.

The Senate assembled: present as on the 22d; and the Honorable John Rutherford, from the state of New Jersey, attended.

The petition of Samuel Stearns, physician, was presented and read, praying compensation for medicine, and attendance on certain sick soldiers, during the late war.

*Ordered*, That this petition, together with his account, be referred to the Secretary for the Department of War, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The reading of the papers communicated by message from the President of the United States, the 20th instant, was resumed; and, after progress, the further reading thereof was postponed.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1794.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I lay before you a statement of the troops in the service of the United States, which has been submitted to me by the Secretary of War. It will rest with Congress to consider and determine whether further inducements shall be held out for entering into the military service of the United States, in order to complete the establishment authorized by law.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, November 25, 1794.*

The message and papers were read.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

The reading of the papers communicated from the President of the United States, by message, the 20th instant, was resumed; and, after progress,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1794.

The Honorable John Henry, from the state of Maryland, and the Honorable James Ross, from the state of Pennsylvania, severally attended.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act extending the privilege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio; and making provision for his compensation;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

The House of Representatives have, on their part, elected the Rev. Ashbel Green a chaplain to Congress, for the present session. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The papers communicated from the President of the United States, by message, the 20th instant, were read.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1794.

The bill, entitled "An act extending the privilege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, and making provision for his compensation," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to authorize the President to call out and station a corps of militia in the four western counties of Pennsylvania for a limited time;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

This bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1794.

The Honorable Stephen R. Bradley, from the state of Vermont, and

The Honorable Caleb Strong, from the state of Massachusetts, severally attended.

The bill, entitled "An act extending the privilege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, and making provision for his compensation," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The bill, entitled "An act to authorize the President to call out and station a corps of militia in the four western counties of Pennsylvania, for a limited time," was read the second time.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That Mr. Ross be the joint Committee for Enrolled Bills, on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives, and desire the appointment of a joint committee for the purpose on their part.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a letter from the Treasurer of the United States, with his specie account, for the quarter ending 30th June, together with his War Department account, ending 30th September last.

The letter was read.

*Ordered*, That the letter and accounts referred to lie on the table.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have, on their part, appointed a joint committee for the examination of enrolled bills. And he withdrew.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the President to call out and station a corps of militia in the four western counties of Pennsylvania, for a limited time," and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the Committee for Enrolled Bills, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1794.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a report of the Secretary for the Department of War, on the petition of Samuel Stearns, which was read.

*Ordered*, That this report lie on the table.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they did, on the 28th November last, lay before the President of the United States the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the President to call out and station a corps of militia in the four western counties of Pennsylvania, for a limited time."

Also, that they this day examined the bill, entitled "An act extending the privilege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, and making provision for his compensation," and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he did, on the 29th November last, approve and sign "An act to authorize the President to call out and station a corps of militia in the four western counties of Pennsylvania, for a limited time."

Mr. Beckley brought up, also, an enrolled bill, signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the enrolled bill, entitled "An act extending the privi-



lege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, and making provision for his compensation;" and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1794.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Morris, Ellsworth, and Cabot, be a committee to examine the demands of Griffith Jones, Samuel Prioleau, and John R. Livingston, respectively, against the United States, and, if they think proper, to report a bill for their payment.

The report of the Secretary for the Department of War, on the petition of Samuel Stearns, physician, was considered.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the said petition cannot be granted.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Samuel Stearns be permitted to withdraw his vouchers.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1794.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I transmit to you an official statement of the expenditure to the 30th of September last, from the sums heretofore granted to defray the contingent expenses of government, by acts passed the 26th day of March, 1790, and the 9th of June, 1794.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, December 3, 1794.*

The message and statement were read.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee for Enrolled Bills, that they did, on the 2d instant, lay before the President of the United States the bill, entitled "An act extending the privilege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, and making provision for his compensation."

On motion,

That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill to amend and explain the last clause of the twenty-second section of the act, entitled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," which respects the security to be given on obtaining a writ of error:

*Ordered*, That the consideration of this motion be postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1794.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he did on the 3d instant approve and sign "An act extending the privilege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, and making provision for his compensation." And he withdrew.

The motion made yesterday for a committee to bring in a bill to amend and explain the last clause of the twenty-second section of the act, entitled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," which respects the security to be given on obtaining a writ of error, was considered and agreed to; and Messrs. Livermore, Ellsworth, and Burr, were appointed on the committee.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1794.

Mr. Livermore, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported a bill to amend and explain the twenty-second section of the "act establishing the judicial courts of the United States," which was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.



A motion was made, that a committee be appointed, to confer with such committee as the House of Representatives may for that purpose appoint, to inquire what business is necessary to be done during the present session:

*Ordered*, That this motion lie for consideration.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1794.

The bill to amend and explain the twenty-second section of the "act establishing the judicial courts of the United States," was read the second time.

On motion,

It was agreed that the rule be dispensed with, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; and that the title thereof be "An act to amend and explain the twenty-second section of the act establishing the judicial courts of the United States."

*Ordered*, That this bill be engrossed, and that the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The motion made the fifth instant, that a committee be appointed, to confer with such committee as the House of Representatives may for that purpose appoint, to inquire what business is necessary to be done during the present session, was considered.

On motion to amend this motion, to be read as follows:

"That a committee be appointed to consider and report what business it will be proper for the Senate to take up:"

It passed in the negative.

And the original motion being agreed to, it was

*Resolved*, That Messrs. Burr, Ellsworth, and Strong, be a committee, to confer with such committee as the House of Representatives may for that purpose appoint, to inquire what business is necessary to be done during the present session.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives, and desire their concurrence and the appointment of a committee on their part.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Barent I. Staats have liberty to withdraw certain papers from the files of the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Peter Covenhoven," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1794.

The Honorable Richard Potts, from the state of Maryland, attended.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Peter Covenhoven," was read the second time.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to Messrs. Jackson, Rutherford, and Burr, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

On motion, by Mr. Ellsworth, it was agreed that he be excused from the committee appointed yesterday, to confer with such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives, to consider the business necessary to be acted on during this session.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Jackson be of the above mentioned committee, in place of Mr. Ellsworth, excused.

Mr. Burr notified the Senate, that he should to-morrow move for permission to introduce a bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to establish the post-office and post roads within the United States."

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have concurred in passing the bill, entitled "An act to amend and explain the twenty-second section of the act establishing the judicial courts of the United States." And he withdrew.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1794.

Agreeable to notice given yesterday, Mr. Burr had leave to bring in a bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to establish the post-office and post roads within the United States," which was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

A motion was made that a committee be appointed to consider the expediency of passing an act of outlawry, declaring in what cases persons may be outlawed, what shall be the process of outlawry, and what its effects; and to report a bill if they shall think proper.

*Ordered*, That this motion lie for consideration until to-morrow.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That William Gould have leave to withdraw his papers from the files of the Senate.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Ellsworth, Burr, and Bradley, be a committee to revise the provisions for the employment and compensation of clerks in the public offices; and, if they find alterations to be necessary, to report a bill for that purpose.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five;" also, the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a loan of two millions of dollars;" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered*, That these bills severally pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1794.

The Honorable Frederick Frelinghuysen, from the state of New Jersey, attended.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I transmit to you, for consideration, a representation made to me by the Secretary of the Treasury, on the subject of constituting an officer, to be specially charged with the business of procuring certain public supplies.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, December 11, 1794.*

The message and report therein mentioned were read.

*Ordered*, That they be referred to Messrs. Strong, Frelinghuysen, and Cabot, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The motion made yesterday, for a committee to consider the expediency of passing an act of outlawry, declaring in what cases persons may be outlawed, what shall be the process of outlawry, and what its effects, was considered and agreed to; and Messrs. Ellsworth, Strong, and Ross, were appointed a committee to report thereon to the Senate.

The bill, to amend the act, entitled "An act to establish the post office and the post roads, within the United States," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Burr, Livermore, and Foster, to consider and report thereon to the Senate,

The bill, entitled "An act authorizing a loan of two millions of dollars," was read the second time,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to Messrs. Ellsworth, Cabot, and Bradley, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives disagree to the resolution of Senate, of 8th instant, for appointing a joint committee, to inquire what business is necessary to be done during the present session. And he withdrew

The bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five," was read the second time.



*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Rutherford, Bradford, and Cabot, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

After the consideration of the Executive business before them,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1794.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act to amend and explain the twenty-second section of 'the act establishing the judicial courts of the United States,'" and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate.

The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to authorize the officers of the Treasury to audit and pass the account of the late Edward Blanchard, deceased;" also, a bill, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes;" to which bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the last mentioned enrolled bill, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The bills last sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence were severally read.

*Ordered*, That these bills severally pass to the second reading.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had this day laid before the President of the United States an enrolled bill, entitled "An act to amend and explain the twenty-second section of the act establishing the judicial courts of the United States."

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath this day approved and signed an act, which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act to amend and explain the twenty-second section of the act establishing the judicial courts of the United States."

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1794.

The Honorable Stephen Mix Mitchell, from the State of Connecticut, attended.

Mr. Ellsworth, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing a loan of two millions of dollars," reported that the bill pass without amendment.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize the officers of the Treasury to audit and pass the account of the late Edward Blanchard, deceased," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Strong, Bradley, and Edwards, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill sent, from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Hawkins, Burr, and Ellsworth, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Strong, from the committee to whom was referred the consideration of the message of the President of the United States, of the 11th of December, with a representation from the Secretary for the Department of Treasury, on the expediency of constituting an officer, to be specially charged with the business of procuring certain public supplies, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1794.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:



*Gentlemen of the Senate,  
and of the House of Representatives:*

I transmit to Congress the copy of a letter from the Secretary of State, with his account, as adjusted with the Treasury Department, of the expenditure of moneys appropriated for our intercourse with foreign nations, up to the first of July, 1794

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, December 16, 1794.*

The message and papers therein referred to were read.

*Ordered,* That they lie for consideration.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing a loan of two millions of dollars," was read the third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The bill to establish the office of purveyor of supplies was read the second time.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That this bill be recommitted, for the purpose of more explicitly inserting the clauses prohibiting the officer named from commercial negotiations.

Mr. Burr, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States,'" reported an amendment, which was adopted, and the bill being further amended,

*Ordered,* That this bill be read the third time on the first Monday in January next.

Mr. Strong, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize the officers of the Treasury to audit and pass the account of the late Edward Blanchard, deceased," reported that the bill pass without amendment.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the rule be dispensed with, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1794.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a loan of two millions of dollars," and the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the officers of the Treasury to audit and pass the account of the late Edward Blanchard, deceased," and that they were duly enrolled.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,  
and of the House of Representatives:*

I lay before Congress copies of the journal of the proceedings in the Executive Department of the government of the United States south of the river Ohio, to the first of September, 1794.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, December 17, 1794.*

The message and papers therein referred to were read.

*Ordered,* That they lie for consideration.

Mr. Hawkins, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes," reported that the bill pass without amendment.

*Ordered,* That this report lie for consideration.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed two enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the Vice President. And he withdrew.



The Vice President signed the enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a confidential communication from the Secretary for the Department of War, made by order of the President of the United States, which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie for consideration.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they did this day lay the two enrolled bills last reported to have been examined before the President of the United States.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1794.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives, that he this day approved and signed the following acts: "An act to authorize the officers of the Treasury to audit and pass the account of the late Edward Blanchard, deceased;" and "An act authorizing a loan of two millions of dollars." And he withdrew.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the report of the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes."

On motion to expunge the 4th section of the bill, as follows:

"And be it further enacted, That, in addition to the pay heretofore authorized by law, there shall be allowed and paid to the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia lately called forth into the actual service of the United States, on an expedition to Fort Pitt, such sums as shall, with the pay heretofore by law established, be equal to the allowances respectively provided in the first section of this act. Provided, nevertheless, That the compensations made by any state, to the militia called forth from such state, shall be deemed to be included in the additional allowance authorized by this act; and such state shall be entitled to receive from the Treasury of the United States such sums as they shall have paid or allowed to the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, over and above the pay heretofore allowed by law, and not exceeding the additional allowance granted by this act."

It passed in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 9  
Nays . . . . . 14.

The yeas and nays being required by one fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Brown, Burr, Edwards, Jackson, Langdon, Livermore, Martin, and Robinson.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Ellsworth, Foster, Frelinghuysen, Hawkins, Izard, King, Mitchell Morris, Potts, Ross, Rutherford, and Strong.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1794.

Mr. Strong, from the committee to whom was recommitted the bill, to establish the office of purveyor of supplies, reported amendments, which were read and adopted.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes," was read the third time.

On motion to expunge these words, section 1st, 'and sixty six cents,'

It passed in the negative.

On motion to add these words, section 4th, line 8th, after the word 'state,' 'upon the late or upon any former occasion,'



It passed in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 4  
 { Nays . . . . . 17.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Brown, Edwards, Martin, and Robinson.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Cabot, Ellsworth, Foster, Frelinghuysen, Hawkins, Izard, King, Langdon, Livermore, Mitchell, Morris, Potts, Ross, Rutherford, and Strong.

On motion,

The following amendments were agreed to:

Section 4th, line 5th, after the word 'first,' insert 'and second;' same line, make the word 'section' plural.

To the end of the bill add,

'And to each recruit, who shall be enlisted after the said first day of January, in addition to the bounty authorized by law, a bounty of eight dollars.'

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 15  
 { Nays . . . . . 6.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Foster, Frelinghuysen, Hawkins, Izard, King, Mitchell, Morris, Potts, Ross, and Strong.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Brown, Langdon, Livermore, Martin, Robinson, and Rutherford.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass as amended.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the rule be dispensed with, and that this bill be now read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Langdon, King, and Cabot, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Rutherford, from the committee to whom was referred the bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five," reported amendments, which were read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1794.

Mr. Langdon, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States," reported the bill without amendment; and the report being adopted,

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary for the Department of War, with representations from Governor Blount and others, respecting Indian affairs; which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie for consideration.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five," was read the third time.

On motion,

The sum appropriated for payment of the pension of the late Baron Steuben was



expunged, and the gross sum mentioned in the first clause of the bill conformed to this amendment.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

The bill to establish the office of purveyor of supplies was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be, "An act to establish the office of purveyor of public supplies."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Gilbert Dean have leave to withdraw his papers.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1794.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act authorizing a transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1794.

Mr. Ross, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States;" and that it was duly enrolled.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Bradford, Langdon, and Brown, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives concur in the amendments of the Senate, with an amendment to their last amendment, to the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes;" to which amendment to the amendment they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The amendment to the amendment was read.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to Messrs. Ellsworth, King, and Hawkins, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Peter Covenhoven," reported that the bill pass without amendment; and the report was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Friday morning.

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1794.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Peter Covenhoven," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.



*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

Mr. Ellsworth reported, from the committee to whom was referred the amendment proposed by the House of Representatives to an amendment of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes;" and the report was adopted. Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Senate disagree to the amendment to their last amendment, and *insist* on their said amendment, and ask a conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses; and that Messrs. King, Ellsworth, and Hawkins, be managers at the same on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Bradford reported, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states," that the bill pass without amendment; and the report was adopted.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1794.

The Honorable Henry Tazewell, appointed a Senator by the state of Virginia, in the place of the Honorable John Taylor, resigned, produced his credentials, which were read, and the Vice President administered to him the oath required by law, and he took his seat in the Senate.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Peter Covenhoven," and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of the Vice President.

The House of Representatives agree to the proposed conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes," and have appointed managers at the same on their part. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States, for his approbation.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the petition of Elkanah Prentice, together with the report of the Secretary for the Department of War thereon, be referred to Messrs. Bradley, Livermore, and Bradford, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A motion was made,

— That a committee be appointed to examine and amend the provisions of the judiciary laws, so far as they respect the powers of the judges to appoint special sessions of the circuit courts.

*Ordered*, That this motion lie for consideration until to-morrow.

Mr. Bradley, from the committee last mentioned, reported, that the prayer of the petitioner cannot be granted; and the report was adopted.

Mr. King laid before the Senate a report which was read, as follows:

"The committees on the part of the Senate, and on the part of the House of Representatives, appointed to confer on the different votes of the two Houses, on the bill, entitled, 'An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes,' have conferred and agreed, that it will be proper for the Senate to agree to the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment proposed



by the Senate, and disagreed to by the House of Representatives, with the following amendments, viz.

Line 4th, strike out 'four,' and insert 'eight.'

Line 4th, strike out 'twelve,' and insert 'sixteen.'

Line 7th, strike out 'two,' and insert 'six.'

Line 8th, strike out 'ten,' and insert 'fourteen.'

Strike out from 'dollars,' in the 8th line, to the end of the section, and insert "but the payment of four dollars of each additional bounty hereby granted, shall be deferred until the soldier enlisting shall join the regiment or corps in which he is to serve."

"And be it further enacted, That to those in the military service of the United States, who are, or shall be, employed on the western frontiers, there shall be allowed, during the time of their being so employed, two ounces of flour, or bread, and two ounces of beef, or pork, in addition to each of their rations, and half a pint of salt in addition to every hundred of their rations."

"And that it will be proper for the House of Representatives to agree to such amendments of their amendment to the amendment proposed by the Senate."

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Senate so far recede from their amendment disagreed to by the House of Representatives, as to adopt the report of the committee, and that the bill be amended accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1794.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the amendment of the House of Representatives to the last amendment of the Senate, to the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes."

They agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five."

The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act providing for the payment of certain instalments of foreign debts, and of the third instalment due on a loan made of the Bank of the United States;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The consideration of the motion made yesterday, that a committee be appointed to examine and amend the provisions of the judiciary, was resumed, and, being amended, was adopted.

Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Ross, Ellsworth, and Strong, be a committee to consider the expediency of bringing in a bill to amend the provisions of the judiciary laws, so far as they respect the powers of the judges to appoint special sessions of the circuit courts.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states," and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed three enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate, for the signature of the Vice President. And he withdrew.

On suggestion that one of the last mentioned enrolled bills, viz. the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five," had not been examined by the Committee of Enrolled Bills,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the said committee for examination.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill last mentioned, and that it was duly enrolled.



The Vice President signed the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states;" the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States;" and the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five;" and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States, for his approbation.

Mr. Ross, from the committee to whom was referred the motion made yesterday, that a committee be appointed to examine and amend the provisions of the judiciary, reported a bill for the purpose, which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,  
and of the House of Representatives:*

I lay before you a report made to me by the Secretary of War, respecting the frontiers of the United States. The disorders and the great expenses which incessantly arise upon the frontiers, are of a nature and magnitude to excite the most serious considerations.

I feel a confidence that Congress will devise such constitutional and efficient measures as shall be equal to the great objects of preserving our treaties with the Indian tribes, and of affording an adequate protection to our frontiers.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, December 30, 1794.*

The message and papers therein referred to were read.

*Ordered*, That they be printed for the use of the Senate.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1794.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes," and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate, for the signature of the Vice President. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The bill to authorize the holding of special courts in certain cases, was read the second time.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof at this time be postponed.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act providing for the payment of certain instalments of foreign debts, and of the third instalment due on a loan made of the Bank of the United States," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a report from the Secretary for the Department of War, respecting invalid pensioners, in pursuance of the act, entitled "An act to regulate claims to invalid pensions;" which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie for consideration.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had this day laid the following bills before the President of the United States: the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five;" the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states;" the bill, entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Peter Coven-



hoven;" and the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes."

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Strong, Bradford, and Ellsworth, be a committee, to consider the expediency of further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States, and, if they think proper, to report a bill for the purpose.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1795.

Mr. Strong, from the committee appointed to consider the expediency of further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States, reported a bill for the purpose, which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act providing for the payment of certain instalments of foreign debts, and of the third instalment due on a loan made of the Bank of the United States," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The second reading of the bill to authorize the holding of special courts in certain cases was resumed.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of this bill be postponed until the 11th of February next.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1795.

The bill further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be engrossed for the third reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1795.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act providing for the payment of certain instalments of foreign debts, and of the third instalment due on a loan made of the Bank of the United States," and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of Mr. Beckley, their Clerk, detained by sickness:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of the Vice President. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The bill further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; and that the title thereof be "An act further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the consideration of the bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to establish the post-office and post roads," was resumed.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the consideration thereof be further postponed.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the ascertainment of certain losses of the officers of government, and other citizens, by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania, and providing some present relief to the sufferers;" and the bill, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks;" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

These bills were read the first time.

*Ordered,* That they severally pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1795.

Mr. Cabot, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d December last, the examination of the demands of Griffith Jones, Samuel Prioleau, and John R. Livingston, against the United States, reported a bill to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau, which was read.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the ascertainment of certain losses of the officers of government, and other citizens, by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania, and providing some present relief to the sufferers," was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill be referred to Messrs. Potts, Jackson, and Ross, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks," was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill lie for consideration.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they had this day laid before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act providing for the payment of certain instalments of foreign debts, and of the third instalment due on a loan made of the Bank of the United States."

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1795.

The second reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks," was resumed.

*Ordered,* That this bill be referred to Messrs. Cabot, Ellsworth, and Strong, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill be engrossed for the third reading.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I lay before Congress copies of acts passed by the legislatures of the states of Vermont, Massachusetts, and New York, ratifying the amendment proposed by the Senate and House of Representatives at their last session, to the constitution of the United States, respecting the judicial power thereof.

The minister of the French Republic having communicated to the Secretary of State certain proceedings of the Committee of Public Safety, respecting weights and measures, I lay these also before Congress.

The letter from the Governor of the western territory, copies of which are now transmitted, refers to a defect in the judicial system of that territory deserving the attention of Congress.

The necessary absence of the judge of the district of Pennsylvania, upon business connected with the late insurrection, is stated by him, in a letter, of which I forward



copies, to have produced certain interruptions in the judicial proceedings of that district, which cannot be removed without the interposition of Congress.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, January 8, 1795.*

The message and papers therein referred to were read.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he did, on the 31st ultimo, approve and sign "An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States;" that he, on the 1st instant, approved and signed "An act for the relief of Peter Covenhoven;" that he, on the 2d instant, approved and signed "An act authorizing the transfer of the stock standing to the credit of certain states;" "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five;" and "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes;" and that he this day approved and signed "An act providing for the payment of certain instalments of foreign debts, and of the third instalment due on a loan made of the Bank of the United States." And he withdrew.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 1795.

The bill to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; and that the title thereof be "An act to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject;" and a bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States;" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

These bills were read the first time.

*Ordered*, That they severally pass to the second reading.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That three hundred copies of the communications from the minister of the French Republic, of a decree of the Committee of Public Safety of the National Convention, on the subject of weights and measures, and referred to in the message of the President of the United States of the 8th instant, be printed for the use of the Senate.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to Monday next, at 11 o'clock in the morning

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1795.

Mr. Potts, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the ascertainment of certain losses of the officers of government, and other citizens, by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania, and providing some present relief to the sufferers," reported amendments, which were read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I lay before Congress, for their consideration, the copy of a letter from the Secre-



tary of War, accompanied by an extract from a memorandum of James Seagrove, agent of Indian affairs.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, January 12, 1795.*

The message and papers therein referred to were read.

*Ordered,* That they lie until to-morrow for consideration.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject," was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That the further consideration of this bill be postponed until Wednesday next.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States," was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill be referred to Messrs. Burr, Cabot, and Morris, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill, to amend the act, entitled "An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States," was read the third time, and, being amended,

*Resolved,* That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States.'"

*Ordered,* That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1795.**

Mr. Cabot, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks," reported amendments.

*Ordered,* That the amendments be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. King moved for permission to introduce a bill in addition to the act, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes."

And the rule being dispensed with, by unanimous consent, the bill was read the first time.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the second reading.

Mr. Brown laid before the Senate the petition of Jean Gabriel Gervais, attorney for the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, which was read, praying the consideration of their case, as stated at large in a former memorial.

On motion,

That the order of the Senate of the 13th of May last, relative to the claims of the settlers at Gallipolis, together with the memorial of Jean Gabriel Gervais, agent for the said settlers, be referred to a committee to consider and report thereon:

A motion was made that the consideration of this business be postponed; and,

It passed in the negative.

And the original motion being adopted,

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Burr, Brown, Livermore, Ellsworth, and King, be a committee to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Ross, Bradford, and Langdon, be a committee to bring in a bill making an extra allowance to certain clerks in the public offices, and to the widows and families of certain deceased clerks.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That the third reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the ascertainment of certain losses of the officers of government, and other citizens, by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania, and providing some present relief to the sufferers," be postponed.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1795.**

The bill, in addition to the act, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes," was read the second time.



On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the rule be dispensed with, and that the bill be read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be "An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes.'"

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject."

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1795.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject," was read the third time.

A motion was made to insert the following words, in the first section of the bill, after the word 'assembled:'

'That no alien shall hereafter become a citizen of the United States, or any of them, except in the manner prescribed by this act, and;'

And, after debate, the further consideration of this motion was postponed until to-morrow.

The consideration of the amendments reported to the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks," was resumed.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 1795.

The Senate resumed the third reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject;" together with the amendment under debate yesterday.

On motion, that the bill, together with the proposed amendment, be committed, It passed in the negative.

On motion, permission was given to withdraw the motion for amendment.

On motion,

It was agreed to insert the words 'any of,' after the words 'citizen of,' in line 3d, that the clause be read as follows:

'That any alien, being a free white person, may be admitted to become a citizen of any of the United States, on the following conditions:'

On motion,

To add these words, 'and not otherwise,' after the word 'conditions,' line 3d, so that the clause be read as follows:

'That any alien, being a free white person, may be admitted to become a citizen of any of the United States, on the following conditions, and not otherwise.'

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 13  
Nays . . . . . 11.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Foster, Hawkins, Henry, Izard, King, Livermore, Mitchell, Ross, and Strong.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Brown, Burr, Frelinghuysen, Jackson, Langdon, Martin, Potts, Robinson, Rutherford, and Tazewell.

On motion, to add to the bill this clause:

'Those aliens who now dwell or may hereafter settle, in the territory southwest of the river Ohio, and in that northwest of the river Ohio, shall be naturalized in their courts, upon the same terms of residence in the territories respectively, and subject to the restrictions provided in this act.'



*Ordered*, That the bill, together with this motion, be referred to Messrs. King, Tazewell, and Brown, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary for the Department of Treasury, stating that, conformable to law, "he had digested and prepared a plan on the basis of the actual revenues for the further support of public credit, which is ready for communication to the Senate."

The communication was read, and,

*Ordered*, That it lie for consideration.

The Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 1795.

The Senate took into consideration the communication from the Secretary for the Department of Treasury of the 16th instant, and,

*Ordered*, That he be notified that the Senate are ready to receive the plan for the further support of public credit therein mentioned

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones, and others;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

They have passed the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes.'" And he withdrew.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones, and others," was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the amendments reported by the committee to the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks."

On motion,

To strike out these words, in section 1st, line 3d, 'any district therein, and,' and insert 'the ports into which they were imported, or from either of the following ports, to wit: Portsmouth, Boston, Providence, New London, New York, Perth Amboy, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Baltimore, Norfolk, Wilmington, Charleston, or Savannah, and shall be:'

And, after debate,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1795.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones and others," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Cabot, Foster, and Rutherford, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the amendments reported by the committee to the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks," together with the motion made yesterday thereon; and, having adopted the report of the committee, and further amended the bill,

*Ordered*, That it pass to the third reading.

The petition of Chandler Dinwiddie Fowke, in behalf of the heir and legatee of Jane Stobo, deceased, was presented and read, praying payment of a certificate signed by Timothy Pickering, quartermaster general, dated 3d December, 1782, for seven hundred and sixty dollars, forty-five cents, bearing interest at 6 per cent.

*Ordered*, That this petition lie on the table.

The Vice President communicated a letter from the Honorable Mr. Butler, stating that he cannot attend at present in Senate, on account of the state of his health, and the inclemency of the season.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States when called into actual service, and for other purposes,'" and that it was duly enrolled.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1795.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a report from the Secretary for the Department of Treasury, of the plan for the support of public credit; which was read.

*Ordered*, That this report lie for consideration.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau," with an amendment, in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

They have passed the bill sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States."

The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of the Vice President. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the enrolled bill, entitled "An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes,' and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States, for his approbation.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks," was read the third time.

A motion was made to expunge the third section of the bill, as follows:

"And be it further enacted, That, after the last day of March next, it shall be lawful for the importer or exporter of any liquors in casks, coffee in casks, or other packages, or any unrefined sugars, to fill up the casks or packages out of other casks or packages included in the original importation, or into new casks or packages in case the original cask or package shall be so injured as to be rendered unfit for exportation, and under the inspection of the inspector of the port from which such liquors, coffee, or unrefined sugars, are intended to be exported:"

It passed in the negative,	{ Yeas . . . . .	10
	{ Nays . . . . .	13.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Hawkins, Henry, Jackson, Martin, Morris, Potts, Robinson, Ross, Rutherford, and Tazewell.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Brown, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Foster, Izard, King, Langdon, Livermore, Mitchell, and Strong.

On motion to expunge these words, section 3d, line 2d, 'any liquors in casks:'

It passed in the negative.

On motion to amend the amendment agreed to yesterday, by expunging these words, 'the ports in which they were imported, or from either.'

It passed in the affirmative.

On motion, it was agreed to add the following proviso at the end of the 5th section:

"And provided always, That in no case of an exportation by the original importer shall a drawback be paid, until the duties on the importation thereof shall have been first received."

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau;" and,

*Resolved*, That the Senate concur therein.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Burr, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States," reported amendments, which were read.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act for reviving certain suits and process which have been discontinued in the district court of Pennsylvania," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the committee, to whom was referred the bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States;" and, after debate,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks." And he withdrew.

Mr. Cabot, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones, and others," reported an amendment, which was read, and adopted.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the third reading.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization; and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject," together with a motion made thereon, reported the following amendments, to wit:

Strike out the first paragraph of the first section, and insert,

"For carrying into complete effect the power given by the constitution to establish an uniform rule of naturalization throughout the United States: Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any alien, being a free white person, may be admitted to become a citizen of the United States, or any of them, on the following 'conditions and not otherwise:'"

Section 2d, line 3d, after the word 'citizen,' strike out 'thereof.'

On motion,

It was agreed to divide the paragraph reported as the first amendment, and adopt it as far as the word 'conditions,' inclusive; and,

On motion,

It was agreed to adopt these words; 'and not otherwise,' containing the other division of the paragraph.

A motion was made to add to the end of the bill the following clause:

"Be it further enacted, That the provisions contained in this act shall extend to the northwestern and southwestern territories respectively:"

And, after debate,

*Ordered,* That the consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1795.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones and others," was read the third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendment to this bill.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for reviving certain suits and process which have been discontinued in the district court of Pennsylvania," was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the amendments reported by the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States;" and, having in part adopted the same,



*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same;' and a bill, entitled "An act for the remission of the tonnage duties on certain French vessels;" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

These bills were read the first time.

*Ordered*, That they severally pass to the second reading.

The Vice President laid before the Senate the report of the Secretary for the Department of Treasury, on the memorial of a number of the inhabitants of the states of Connecticut and Rhode Island, praying that a light-house may be erected, at the expense of the United States, on Watch Hill, in the state of Rhode Island; which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie for consideration.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the amendment proposed yesterday, to add the following clause to the bill, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject," to wit:

"Be it further enacted, That the provisions contained in this act shall extend to the northwestern and southwestern territories respectively:"

On motion,

It was agreed to amend this motion, by inserting, in line 5th of the first section of the bill, these words, after the word 'state,' 'or of the territories;' and, line 11th of the said section, after the word 'states,' these words: 'or of the territories;' and by inserting, section 2d. line 4th, after the word 'state,' 'or territory.'

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of this motion be postponed.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1795.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the motion, as it was agreed to be amended on Friday, to the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject;" and it being further amended, was adopted, as follows:

Line 5th, after the words 'the states,' insert 'or of the territories northwest or south of the river Ohio.'

Line 11th, after the word 'state,' insert 'or territory.'

On motion to add the following clause to the bill:

"Every person naturalized under this act shall, at the time of his naturalization, specify the names of all his children, under the age of twenty-one years, resident within the United States; and the clerk of the court shall send a certificate of every naturalization, and a list of the names of such children as shall be thus specified, to the Secretary of State, who shall keep a record of the same;" and

A motion was made to add to this motion as follows:

"For all which services, directed by this act to be performed by the clerks of the courts aforesaid, the said clerks shall be entitled to receive from each person naturalized (whether having a family or not) the sum of \_\_\_\_."

And, on the question to agree to the motion thus amended,

It passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones and others." And he withdrew.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States," was read the third time, and the bill was further amended, by inserting as follows:



Line 7th, after the words 'white clayed,' 'or white powdered,' and, in the same line, after 'clayed,' 'or powdered.'

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Jackson, Izard, and Livermore, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for reviving certain suits and process which have been discontinued in the district court of Pennsylvania," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The Senate proceeded to the second reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the remission of the tonnage duties on certain French vessels."

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau;" the bill, entitled "An act further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks;" and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones and others," and that they were duly enrolled.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY JANUARY 27, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States;" also, to the bill, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject." And he withdrew.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the following bills, viz: the bill, entitled "An act for reviving certain suits and process which have been discontinued in the district court of Pennsylvania;" the bill, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject;" the bill, entitled "An act for the remission of the tonnage duties on certain French vessels;" and the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States;" and that they were duly enrolled.

The Vice President laid before the Senate the accounts of Samuel Meredith, Treasurer, of the expenditures for the quarter ending the 30th of September last, which, being read,

*Ordered*, That they lie on the table.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the ascertainment of certain losses of the officers of government, and other citizens, by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania, and providing some present relief to the sufferers," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

The petition of Zachariah Allen, of the state of Rhode Island, was presented and read, praying that the proper officers may be empowered and directed to furnish a certain vessel therein named, and the property of a citizen of the United States, although not built therein, with the necessary papers, for the reasons mentioned in the said petition.



*Ordered*, That this petition be referred to Messrs. Foster, Strong, and Ellsworth, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the Vice President. And he withdrew.

The Vice President signed the four enrolled bills yesterday reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the Vice President.

The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids;" and a bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The two bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered*, That they severally pass to the second reading.

The Vice President signed the enrolled bills this day reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States, for his approbation.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had this day laid before the President of the United States the four enrolled bills yesterday reported to have been examined; also, the four enrolled bills this day reported to have been examined; also, the bill, entitled "An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes.'"

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1795.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States has this day approved and signed the following acts, to wit: "An act to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau," and "An act further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Bradley, Ellsworth, and Hawkins, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The petition of Hugh Maxwell, stating that he received a wound in the battle of Bunker Hill, and praying to be inserted in the list of invalid pensioners, was presented and read.

*Ordered*, That this petition be referred to the committee last named, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he this day approved and signed the following acts, to wit: "An act for reviving certain suits and process, which have been discontinued in the district court of Pennsylvania;" "An act for the remission of the tonnage duties on certain French vessels;" and "An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones and others." And he withdrew.

Mr. Ross, from the committee appointed to bring in a bill making an extra allowance to certain clerks in the public offices, and to the widows and families of certain deceased clerks, reported a bill for that purpose, which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to repeal a part, and to continue in force another part, of the act, entitled 'An act prohibiting, for a limited time, the exportation of arms and ammunition, and encouraging the importation of the same,'" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill making an extra allowance to certain clerks in the public offices, and to the widows and families of certain deceased clerks, was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill be referred to the committee appointed the 26th instant on the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Mr. President:* The President of the United States hath this day approved and signed "An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes.'" And he withdrew.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Lambert, in the absence of their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he yesterday approved and signed the following acts: "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject;" "An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States;" and "An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks." And he withdrew.

The bill, making an extra allowance to certain clerks in the public offices, and to the widows and families of certain deceased clerks, was read the third time.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That the bill be recommitted for further inquiry.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to repeal a part, and to continue in force another part, of the act, entitled 'An act prohibiting, for a limited time, the exportation of arms and ammunition, and encouraging the importation of the same,'" was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill be referred to Messrs. Rutherford, Hawkins, and Jackson, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Vice President laid before the Senate a confidential communication from the Secretary for the Department of War, which was read.

*Ordered,* That it lie for consideration.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1795.

The Vice President laid before the Senate the report of the Secretary for the Department of Treasury, on the petition of Oliver and Thompson, which was read.

*Ordered,* That this report lie for consideration.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" reported amendments, which were read.



*Ordered*, That the report lie for consideration.

Mr. Tazewell notified the Senate, that he should to-morrow ask permission to introduce a bill declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the state of Virginia, passed the 25th of December, 1794, for the support of a marine hospital.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1795.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the report of the committee, to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" and the report was adopted; and the bill being further amended,

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

Agreeable to notice given yesterday, Mr. Tazewell obtained permission to introduce a bill declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the state of Virginia, passed the twenty-fifth of December, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, for the support of a marine hospital, and the bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to authorize the allowance of drawback on part of the cargo of the ship *Enterprise*," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

A written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary, which was read, and is entered on the Executive journal of this day. See fol. 2.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" was read the third time.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to Monday next.

Mr. Bradley, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids," reported the following amendment:

Strike out the whole of the last section, after the word 'enacted,' in the 1st line, and insert, in lieu thereof,

"That no commissioned officer who has received commutation of half pay shall be paid a pension as an invalid until he shall return his commutation into the Treasury of the United States, except where special provision has been made in particular cases for allowing pensions on the return only of certain portions of the commutation."

On the question to adopt the report,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 15  
Nays . . . . . 8.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Foster, Hawkins, Henry, Jackson, Izard, Langdon, Martin, Robinson, Ross, and Rutherford.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Burr, Frelinghuysen, Livermore, Mitchell, Morris, Potts, Strong and Tazewell.

On motion,

To amend the amendment, by expunging the words, 'his commutation,' line 3d, of the amendment, and further to amend it, to read as follows:

"That no commissioned officer who has received commutation of half pay shall be paid a pension as an invalid, until he shall return into the Treasury of the United States a proportion of the principal of the commutation received by him, equal to the



proportion of pension to be allowed him, except where special provision has been made in particular cases, for allowing pensions, on the return only, of certain portions of the commutation."

It passed in the negative.

And on the question to agree to the last section of the bill, as amended,

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas ..... 15  
  { Nays ..... 8.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Foster, Hawkins, Henry, Jackson, Izard, Langdon, Martin, Robinson, Ross, and Rutherford.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Burr, Frelinghuysen, Livermore, Mitchell, Morris, Potts, Strong, and Tazewell.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the state of Virginia, passed the twenty-fifth of December, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, for the support of a marine hospital, was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Tazewell, Ellsworth, and Langdon, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Bradford, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Hugh Maxwell, reported that the prayer of the petitioner cannot be granted.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1795.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize the allowance of drawback on part of the cargo of the ship *Enterprise*," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Langdon, Hawkins, and Potts, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the third reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids," be postponed to Monday next.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk,

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

A motion was made,

"That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the President of the United States to call such of the invalids on the pension list of the United States into service as are able to do garrison duty, and, if found expedient, to report a bill."

*Ordered*, That this motion lie for consideration.

Mr. Langdon, from the committee on the bill last referred, reported that it pass without amendment; and the report was adopted.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Strong, Burr, and Potts, be a committee to examine and report to the Senate what laws will expire before the next session of Congress.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1795.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize the allowance of drawback on part of the cargo of the ship *Enterprise*," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.



*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Cabot, Ellsworth, Burr, Langdon, and Tazewell, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act authorizing the erection of a light-house near the entrance of Georgetown harbor, in the state of South Carolina;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

Mr. Ellsworth, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported a bill to regulate proceedings in cases of outlawry, which was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1795.

Mr. Strong reported from the committee to whom it was referred to examine and report what laws will expire before the next Congress. The report was read.

*Ordered*, That the report lie for consideration.

Mr. Cabot, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage," reported an amendment, which was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids," be further postponed to Thursday next.

The third reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" was resumed; and, being further amended,

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the erection of a light-house near the entrance of Georgetown harbor, in the state of South Carolina," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Langdon, Jackson, and Hawkins, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the allowance of drawback on part of the cargo of the ship Enterprise," and that it was duly enrolled.

The bill to regulate proceedings in cases of outlawry was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill lie for consideration.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act making alterations in the Treasury and War Departments,'" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1795.

The petition of James Park, and others, messengers in the public offices, was read, praying that their compensation, respectively, may be augmented.

*Ordered*, That this petition lie on the table.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill, sent from the



Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post-office and post roads within the United States,' with amendments; in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The amendments were read.

*Ordered*, That they be referred to Messrs. Ross, Hawkins, and Rutherford, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Ellsworth reported from the committee appointed to revise the provisions for the employment and compensation of clerks in the public offices, which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie for consideration.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendment to this bill.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act making alterations in the Treasury and War Departments,'" was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the consideration of the bill to regulate proceedings in cases of out-lawry, be further postponed.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1795.

Mr. Langdon, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the erection of a light-house, near the entrance of Georgetown harbor, in the state of South Carolina," reported the bill without amendment.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage."

They disagree to all the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" and ask a conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, and have appointed managers on their part. And he withdrew.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Senate agree to the proposed conference on the amendments to the last mentioned bill, and that Messrs. Livermore and Jackson be managers at the same on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" reported amendments, which were read.

*Ordered*, That they be printed for the use of the Senate.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act making alterations in the Treasury and War Departments,'" was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the consideration of the bill to authorize the holding of special courts, in certain cases, be postponed until the 23d instant.

*Ordered*, That the report of the committee appointed to examine and report to the Senate what laws will expire before the next Congress be recommitted, and that the committee be instructed to bring in a bill or bills to continue such of the said laws as in their opinion ought to be continued.



The petition of James Mathers, doorkeeper to the Senate, was presented and read, stating the enhanced price of the necessaries of life, and praying an addition to his compensation. Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate pay to the said James Mathers, out of the contingent money, one hundred and thirty dollars, to make his compensation, for the last year, two hundred and fifty dollars, in addition to his stated salary, that being the additional sum allowed to the doorkeeper of the House of Representatives.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1795.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act making alterations in the Treasury and War Departments,'" and the bill, entitled "An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage;" and that they were duly enrolled.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the erection of a light house near the entrance of Georgetown harbor, in the state of South Carolina," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the reimbursement of a loan authorized by an act of the last session of Congress," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed three enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the Vice President. And he withdrew.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the reimbursement of a loan authorized by an act of the last session of Congress," was read the first time.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the rule be dispensed with, and that this bill be now read the second time.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to Messrs. King, Bradford, and Ellsworth, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Vice President signed the enrolled bill, entitled, "An act to authorize the allowance of drawback on part of the cargo of the ship Enterprise;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act making alterations in the Treasury and War Departments,'" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage;" and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States, for his approbation.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the report of the committee, appointed the 10th of December last, to revise the provisions for the employment and compensation of certain clerks in the public offices, be the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids," was read the third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 11  
Nays . . . . . 7.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Foster, Hawkins, King, Langdon, Robinson, and Rutherford.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Burr, Jackson, Livermore, Martin, Mitchell, Potts, and Tazewell.

So it was,

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.



Mr. Rutherford reported, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to repeal a part, and to continue in force another part, of the act, entitled 'An act prohibiting, for a limited time, the exportation of arms and ammunition, and encouraging the importation of the same,'" and the report was adopted.

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That this bill do not pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives that the Senate do not concur in this bill.

The petition of John Field, and others, was presented and read, praying permission to export to China fifty tons of lead, the law prohibiting the exportation of arms and ammunition notwithstanding.

On motion,

That the petition be committed, with instruction to bring in a bill conformable to the prayer of the petitioners,

It passed in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they did this day lay the three enrolled bills last signed by the Vice President before the President of the United States.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids." And he withdrew.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate took into consideration the report of the committee, appointed the 10th of December last, to revise the provisions for the employment and compensation of certain clerks in the public offices, which was amended; and, after debate,

*Ordered*, That the report be committed to Messrs. Ross, Potts, and King, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he this day approved and signed "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act making alterations in the Treasury and War Departments,'" and "An act to authorize the allowance of drawback on part of the cargo of the ship *Enterprise*." And he withdrew.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1795.

Mr. Livermore reported, from the managers on the part of the Senate, at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, and for regulating the same,'" that the bill be postponed to the next Congress; and the report was adopted.

On motion, that the bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" be postponed to the next Congress:

It passed in the negative.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments reported by the committee to the said bill; and, having adopted them,

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

On request of the Vice President, it was agreed that he be excused from attendance in Senate, during the session, after Wednesday next.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act to establish the office of purveyor of public supplies."

The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that, on the 14th instant, he approved and signed "An act relative to the compensa-



tions of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage."

The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States;" a bill, entitled "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject;" and a "resolution respecting certain laws of the territory of the United States northwest of the river Ohio, passed the first day of August, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two;" in which bills and resolution they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bills and resolution last brought to the Senate for concurrence were severally read.

*Ordered*, That the said bill severally pass to the second reading.

*Ordered*, That the resolution of the House of Representatives last mentioned be referred to Messrs. Livermore, Rutherford, and Bradford, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the reimbursement of a loan authorized by an act of the last session of Congress," reported, that the bill pass without amendment. Whereupon,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1795.

The petition of John M'Lean, attorney to Angus M'Lean, was presented and read, stating that the compensation of the said Angus, for military services during the late war, was drawn on a forged order, by one Samuel Abbot, without the knowledge or consent of the said Angus; and praying relief.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That this petition be referred to Messrs. Burr, Ellsworth, and Livermore, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" was read the third time; and, being further amended,

On motion,

*Ordered*, That this bill be recommitted.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the 'Act for ascertaining the fees in admiralty proceedings in the district courts of the United States, and for other purposes,'" and a bill, entitled "An act to repeal part of the act, entitled 'An act prohibiting, for a limited time, the exportation of arms and ammunition, and encouraging the importation of the same,'" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bills were read the first time.

*Ordered*, That these bills severally pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill to regulate proceedings in cases of outlawry.

On motion that this bill be postponed,

It passed in the negative.

And, after debate,

*Ordered*, That it lie for consideration.

The following written messages were received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I transmit to Congress copies of a letter from the governor of the state of New Hampshire, and of an act of the legislature thereof, ratifying the article proposed in amendment to the constitution of the United States, respecting the judicial power.

I also lay before Congress copies of a letter from the governor of the state of North



Carolina, and of an act of the legislature thereof, ceding "to the United States certain lands, upon the conditions therein mentioned."

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, February 17, 1795.*

*Gentlemen of the Senate*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I have received copies of two acts of the legislature of Georgia, one passed on the 28th day of December, and the other on the 7th day of January last, for appropriating and selling the Indian lands within the territorial limits claimed by that state. These copies, though not officially certified, have been transmitted to me in such a manner as to leave no room to doubt their authenticity. These acts embrace an object of such magnitude, and in their consequences may so deeply affect the peace and welfare of the United States, that I have thought it necessary now to lay them before Congress.

In confidence, I also forward copies of several documents and papers received from the governor of the southwestern territory. By these, it seems that hostilities with the Cherokees have ceased, and that there is a pleasing prospect of a permanent peace with that nation. But, from all the communications of the governor, it appears that the Creeks, in small parties, continue their depredations, and it is uncertain to what they may finally lead.

The several papers now communicated deserve the immediate attention of Congress, who will consider how far the subjects of them may require their co-operation.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, February 17, 1795.*

The messages were severally read.

*Ordered,* That they lie for consideration.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1795.

Mr. Strong, from the committee instructed to that purpose on the 11th instant, reported a bill to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned; which bill was read.

*Ordered,* That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they had examined the following enrolled bills: the bill, entitled "An act to establish the office of purveyor of public supplies;" the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the erection of a light-house near the entrance of Georgetown harbor, in the state of South Carolina;" the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids;" and the bill, entitled "An act for the reimbursement of a loan authorized by an act of the last session of Congress;" and that they were duly enrolled.

Mr. Ross, from the committee to whom was referred the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States,'" reported amendments to the said amendments.

On motion,

To recommit the report,

It passed in the negative.

And, the report being further amended,

*Resolved,* That the Senate concur in the amendments to this bill, with amendments thereto.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives herein.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate.

The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions; and to repeal the act now in force for these purposes;" a bill, entitled "An act enabling George Gibbs to obtain a drawback of duties on certain exported wines;" a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Seymour;" and a bill, entitled "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States;" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bills last mentioned were severally read.

*Ordered,* That they severally pass to the second reading.



The Vice President signed the enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The papers referred to in the message of the President of the United States, of yesterday, were read.

*Ordered*, That they severally lie for consideration.

Mr. Burr, from the committee to whom was referred the motion made the 13th of January last, relative to the claims of the settlers at Gallipolis, together with the memorial of Jean G. Gervais, reported a bill to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned, which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

Mr. Morris, from the committee instructed to examine the demands of Griffith Jones and others, reported, that Griffith Jones have leave to withdraw his petition, and the report was adopted.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That certain laws of the state of Georgia, referred to in the message of the President of the United States of the 17th instant, be referred to Messrs. King, Ellsworth, Strong, Ross, and Potts, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. King notified the Senate, that he should, on Friday next, move for leave to introduce a bill to punish frauds committed on the Bank of the United States.

Mr. Foster laid before the Senate the petition of Henry Merchant, judge for the Rhode Island district, praying an augmentation of his salary, which was read.

Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Foster, in behalf of the petitioner, have leave to bring in a bill providing for the addition of two hundred dollars per annum to the petitioner's present salary.

Mr. Burr, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John M'Lean, attorney to Angus M'Lean, reported, that they are satisfied of the truth of the facts contained in the petition, and that he is entitled to his pay for his services in the corps of sappers and miners; and the report was adopted.

Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the committee to whom the petition was referred, be instructed to bring in a bill accordingly.

Mr. Burr, from the committee last mentioned, reported a bill for the relief of Angus M'Lean, which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Foster, Frelinghuysen, and Vining, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was recommitted the amendments reported on the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" reported amendments to the same, which were read and adopted, and the bill being further amended,

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to continue in force the act 'for ascertaining the fees in admiralty proceedings in the district courts of the United States, and for other purposes,'" was read the second time.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the rule be dispensed with, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to repeal part of the act, entitled 'An act prohibiting, for a limited time, the exportation of arms and ammunition, and encouraging the importation of the same,'" was read the second time.



On motion that this bill pass to the third reading,

It passed in the negative.

So it was,

*Resolved*, That this bill do not pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives that the Senate do not concur in this bill.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Burr, and Foster, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Friday morning.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1795.

The Vice President being absent, the Senate proceeded to the election of a President pro tempore, as the constitution provides, and the Honorable Samuel Livermore was duly elected; who, declining the appointment,

The Senate proceeded to the election of the Honorable Henry Tazewell to that office.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary wait on the President of the United States, and notify him of the election of the Honorable Mr. Tazewell to be President of the Senate pro tempore.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives of this election.

The petition of John Rutledge, administrator of the estate of Thomas Rutledge, deceased, late deputy commissary general of purchases for the southern department, was read, praying that he may be enabled to obtain compensation for the services of the said Thomas Rutledge.

*Ordered*, That this petition lie on the table.

Agreeable to notice, Mr. King obtained leave to introduce a bill to punish frauds committed on the Bank of the United States; which bill was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the act 'for ascertaining the fees in admiralty proceedings in the district courts of the United States, and for other purposes,'" and that it was duly enrolled.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of William Seymour," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, King, and Mitchell, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to all the amendments of the Senate to their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post-office and post roads within the United States,'" except to the last, to which they agree with an amendment, and in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

They have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Barton and others," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment proposed by the House of Representatives to the last amendment of the Senate to their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States,'" and,

On motion,

That the bill be postponed to the next Congress,

It passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Senate disagree to the said amendment, and ask a conference on the disagreeing votes thereon, and that Messrs. Rutherford and Brown be managers at the same on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they did this day lay the following enrolled bills before the President of the United States: the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the erection of a light-house near the entrance of George-



town harbor, in the state of South Carolina;" the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids;" the bill, entitled "An act for the reimbursement of a loan authorized by an act of the last session of Congress;" and the bill, entitled "An act to establish the office of purveyor of public supplies."

The bill last brought from the House of Representatives for concurrence was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill for the relief of Angus McLean was read the second time and amended.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be, "An act for the relief of Angus McLean."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Rutherford, Ellsworth, and Potts, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act enabling George Gibbs to obtain a drawback of duties on certain exported wines," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Cabot, Mitchell, and Bradford, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for these purposes," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. King, Frelinghuysen, and Strong, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee to whom was referred the report of a committee appointed to revise the provisions for the employment and compensation of certain clerks in the public offices.

On motion, to amend the report, by inserting five hundred dollars to the loan officer of the state of Maryland, instead of two hundred and fifty, in lieu of clerk hire:

It passed in the negative.

On motion, to amend the report, by inserting two thousand dollars each to the loan officers of the states of Massachusetts and New York, in lieu of clerk hire, respectively:

It passed in the negative.

On motion, to amend the report, by inserting five hundred dollars to the loan officer of the state of Connecticut, in lieu of clerk hire:

It passed in the negative.

And, having agreed further to amend the report, by striking out the limitation, to wit: 'year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six,' and inserting 'end of the same.'

On motion,

*Ordered*, That it be recommitted, with an instruction to bring in a bill conformable thereto.

Agreeable to the order of the Senate, Mr. Foster brought in a bill for allowing an additional compensation to the judge of the district of Rhode-Island; which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill, to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned, was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the proposed conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses to the amendments proposed to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States,'" and have appointed managers on their part. And he withdrew.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1795.

Mr. Cabot reported, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act enabling George Gibbs to obtain a drawback of duties on certain exported wines," that the bill pass without amendment; and the report was adopted.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

Mr. Livermore reported, from the committee to whom was referred the resolution, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, "respecting certain laws of the territory of the United States north west of the river Ohio, passed the first day of August, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two." Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Senate do not concur in this resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars, for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse;" and a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Frantz Jacob Foltz;" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate. They agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels.'"

The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he this day approved and signed "An act authorizing the erection of a light-house near the entrance of Georgetown harbor, in the state of South Carolina;" "An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids;" and "An act for the reimbursement of a loan authorized by an act of the last session of Congress." And he withdrew.

Mr. Rutherford reported from the managers at the conference on the part of the Senate, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the last amendments to the first section of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States.'"

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Senate recede from their last amendment to the amendment of the House of Representatives, to the first section of the said bill, to wit: the words "and from Danville to Knoxville."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives recede from their amendment to the last amendment of the Senate to the first section of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States.'"

And he withdrew.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the message of the President of the United States, of the 18th instant, relative to certain laws passed by the state of Georgia, reported a bill to prevent depredations on the Indians south of the river Ohio; which bill was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Frantz Jacob Foltz," was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse," was read the first time.

The petition of Amelie, Adeleide, Melanie, and Silvie, de Grasse, daughters of the late Count de Grasse, stating their reduced and destitute situation, and praying the loan of two thousand dollars, was presented and read.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the rule be dispensed with, and that the bill last mentioned be now read the second time.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That this bill lie for consideration.



The bill to punish frauds committed on the Bank of the United States was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be printed for the use of the Senate.

The bill, to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill for allowing an additional compensation to the judge of the district of Rhode Island was read the second time.

The memorial of Gunning Bedford, judge of the district of Delaware, was presented and read, praying for an increase of compensation.

On motion,

It was agreed to amend the bill last mentioned, by inserting these words: 'to the judges of the districts of Rhode Island and Delaware each,' and to conform the title of the bill thereto.

On motion, by Mr. Cabot, to add after the word 'dollars,' 'and to the judge of the district court of Massachusetts the sum of three hundred dollars.'

It passed in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of this bill be postponed until Monday next.

The President laid before the Senate statements from the Secretary for the Department of War, of such claims as have been received and examined, and of additional evidence further to support certain claims formerly stated; in pursuance of the act, entitled "An act to regulate the claims to invalid pensions."

On motion,

*Ordered*, That five hundred copies of the papers hereafter enumerated, delivered with the message of the President of the United States of the 19th of November, 1794, be printed, to wit:

1. Judge Wilson's certificate.
2. The proclamation of 7th August.
3. The instructions of the commissioners.
4. The report of the commissioners.
5. The proclamation of the 25th of September.
6. The correspondence between the Governor of Pennsylvania and the Secretary of State.
7. The report of the Secretary of the Treasury to the President of the United States.
8. Instructions to the Governor of Virginia.

Mr. Martin notified the Senate that he should, on Monday next, move for permission to introduce a bill to amend the 2d section of the act, entitled "An act to erect a light-house on the head land of Cape Hatteras, and a lighted beacon on Shell Castle Island, in the harbor of Occacock, in the state of North Carolina."

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," reported amendments, which were amended and adopted.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1795.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary.

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States this day approved and signed "An act to establish the office of purveyor of public supplies." And he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," was read the third time, and, being further amended,

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.



The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Barton and others," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Cabot, Bradford, and Frelinghuysen, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man, and Frantz Jacob Foltz," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to the committee last mentioned.

The bill, "for allowing an additional compensation to the judge of the district of Rhode Island," was read the third time as amended.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be, "An act allowing an additional compensation to the judges of the districts of Rhode Island and Delaware."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Agreeable to notice given on the 21st instant, Mr. Martin obtained permission to bring in a bill to amend the second section of the act, entitled "An act to erect a light house on the head land of Cape Hatteras, and a lighted beacon on Shell Castle Island, in the harbor of Occacock, in the state of North Carolina;" which bill was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill to prevent depredations on the Indians south of the river Ohio was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill lie for consideration.

Agreeable to the order of the day, the Senate resumed the second reading of the bill to authorize the holding of special courts in certain cases.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until the next Congress.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill was read the first time.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that the bill be now read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Ellsworth, Morris, Strong, King, and Cabot, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse," was considered.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Burr, King, and Mitchell, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Agnus M'Lean," with an amendment, in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill last mentioned, to wit, strike out 'Agnus,' and insert 'Angus.'

*Resolved*, That they do concur therein.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Burr, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse, reported an amendment, which was adopted.

On motion to insert 'five hundred' in place of 'one thousand,'

It passed in the negative.

On the question, Shall this bill pass to the third reading?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 17  
Nays . . . . . 5.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Burr, Cabot, Edwards, Foster, Hawkins, Jackson, Izard, King, Langdon, Livermore, Martin, Mitchell, Morris, Potts, Rutherford, and Vining.



Those who voted in the negative, are,  
Messrs. Bradford, Ellsworth, Frelinghuysen, Ross, and Strong.

So it was

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

Mr. Ross reported from the committee that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act enabling George Gibbs to obtain a drawback of duties on certain exported wines;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States,'" and that they were duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions; and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes."

The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the three bills last reported to have been examined, and also the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the 'Act for ascertaining the fees in admiralty proceedings in the district courts of the United States, and for other purposes,'" and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States, for his approbation.

The bill to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the second time, and, after debate,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1795.

Mr. Cabot, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Frantz Jacob Poltz," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Barton and others," reported, that they severally pass without amendment.

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill first mentioned.

On motion, it was agreed to amend the bill by expunging from line 11 the word 'said,' in the first instance.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the bill last reported on pass to the third reading.

Mr. Ellsworth, from the committee instructed to that purpose, reported a bill to regulate the compensation of clerks; which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars, for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse," was read the third time.

On motion, to expunge the amendment agreed to yesterday, to wit: line 1, insert a preamble, as follows:

"Whereas the four daughters of the late Count de Grasse, now within the United States, have, by their memorial to Congress, represented that they are destitute of the means of support:"

It passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendment to this bill.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they did, this day, lay the following enrolled bills before the President of the United States, to wit: the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels,'" the bill, entitled "An act enabling George Gibbs to obtain a drawback of duties on certain exported wines;" the bill, entitled "An act to continue in force 'the act for ascertaining the fees in admiralty proceedings in the district courts of the United States, and for other purposes,'" and the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States,'" also, that they had examined the enrolled



bill, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Angus M'Lean;" and that they were duly enrolled.

The memorial of a number of the manufacturers of the town of Baltimore was presented and read, stating the impolicy of excises on home manufactures, and praying a discontinuance thereof on the articles sugar and snuff.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That this memorial be referred to the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt," to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act for the ascertainment of certain losses of the officers of government, and other citizens, by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania, and providing some present relief to the sufferers."

They have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Jose Roiz Silva;" and a bill, entitled "An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed;" in which several bills they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

The House of Representatives have passed the bill sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act for allowing an additional compensation to the judges of the districts of Rhode Island and Delaware."

The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the two enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The consideration of the bill to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was resumed; and, after debate,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of this bill be postponed.

Mr. Foster notified the Senate that he should, to-morrow, ask permission to introduce a bill providing that coasting vessels going from Long Island, in the state of New York, to the state of Rhode Island, or from the state of Rhode Island to the said Long Island, shall have the same privileges as are allowed to vessels, under the like circumstances, going from a district in one state to a district in the same, or any adjoining state.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed," was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Joze Roiz Silva," was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1795.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to provide some present relief to the officers of government, and other citizens, who have suffered in their property by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for allowing an additional compensation to the judges of the districts of Rhode Island and Delaware;" and that they were duly enrolled.

Mr. Livermore laid before the Senate the remonstrance of the state of New Hampshire, asserting and enforcing the sovereignty and independence of the said state, in respect to laws passed before the confederation of the United States; which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie on the table.



The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I communicate to Congress copies of a letter from the governor of the state of Georgia, and of an act of the legislature thereof, "to ratify the resolution of Congress explanatory of the judicial power of the United States."

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, February 25, 1795.*

The message and papers therein referred to were read.

*Ordered,* That they lie on file.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Mr. President:* The President of the United States this day approved and signed "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States.'"

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of William Seymour," reported that it pass without amendment.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Frantz Jacob Foltz," was read the third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass with the amendment.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendment.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Barton and others," was read the third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives with the concurrence of the Senate in this bill.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed," was read the second time.

*Ordered,* That this bill be referred to Messrs. Livermore, Burr, and Mitchell, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Mr. Ellsworth, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt," reported amendments, which were read.

*Ordered,* That they lie for consideration.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

On motion, to strike out the first section of the bill, to wit:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States shall be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to issue letters patent, in the name, and under the seal, of the United States, thereby granting and conveying to John Gabriel Gervais, Alexander Sangrain, and John Michan, and their heirs, for the use of themselves and the other French inhabitants of Gallipolis, in the territory northwest of the Ohio, a tract of land situate on the northwest bank of the river Ohio, beginning one mile and a half on a straight line above the mouth of Little Sandy; thence, down the said river Ohio, along the courses thereof, eight miles, when reduced to a straight line; thence, at right angles from the said line, westerly, so as to include the quantity of twenty four thousand acres, free from all reservations, to be equally divided (except as hereinafter excepted) by lot among all the French inhabitants and actual settlers of the said town or settlement of Gallipolis, being males above seventeen years of age, or widows, who are, or shall be, within the said town or settlement of Gallipolis, on the first day of November next, of whom a list shall be made by the surveyor to be employed in pursuance of this act."

It passed in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots \dots 9 \\ \text{Nays} \dots \dots 15. \end{array} \right.$



The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,  
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,  
Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Frelinghuysen, King, Mitchell,  
Rutherford, and Strong.

Those who voted in the negative, are,  
Messrs. Bradley, Brown, Burr, Foster, Hawkins, Jackson, Izard, Langdon, Liver-  
more, Martin, Morris, Potts, Robinson, Ross, and Vining.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Potts, Burr, and King, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendment of the Senate, to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Frantz Jacob Foltz."

The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he this day approved and signed "An act to continue in force 'the act for ascertaining the fees in admiralty proceedings in the district courts of the United States and for other purposes;' and "An act enabling George Gibbs to obtain a drawback of duties on certain exported wines."

The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the three enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of Joze Roiz Silva," was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Potts, King, and Langdon, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

Agreeable to notice given yesterday, Mr. Foster obtained leave to bring in a bill relative to the coasting trade, as it respects vessels passing between Long Island, in the state of New York and the state of Rhode Island. The bill was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill to prevent depredations on the Indians south of the river Ohio.

On motion to postpone the consideration of this bill,

It passed in the negative.

On motion, it was agreed to amend the bill,

And, on the passage of the bill to the third reading, with the following amendment to the end of the bill: "and shall be punished in the same manner that enlisted soldiers, committing such an act or acts, without or contrary to orders, may be punished:"

It passed in the affirmative,    { Yeas . . . . . 11  
  { Nays . . . . . 5.

The yeas and nays being required by one fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Ellsworth, Foster, Hawkins, King, Potts, Ross, Rutherford, Strong, and Vining.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Burr, Jackson, Langdon, and Robinson.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1795.

Mr. King laid before the Senate a resolution authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases; which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie until to-morrow for consideration.

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Barton and others," and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Frantz Jacob Foltz," and that they were duly enrolled; also, that they had this day laid before the President of the United States, for his approbation, the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to provide some present relief to the officers of government, and other citizens, who have suffered in their property by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand



dollars for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for allowing an additional compensation to the judges of the districts of Rhode Island and Delaware;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Angus McLean."

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he this day approved and signed "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels.'"

The House of Representatives have passed the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned," with an amendment; in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. They have passed a bill, entitled "An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment proposed by the House of Representatives to the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned."

*Resolved,* That they do concur therein.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject," reported amendments.

Mr. Livermore, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed," reported amendments.

Mr. Potts, from the committee to whom was referred the bill to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned, reported amendments.

The bill to regulate the compensation of clerks was read the second time; and, after amending the first section, it was rejected.

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the third reading.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill to punish frauds committed on the Bank of the United States, and having agreed to an amendment,

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the third reading.

Mr. Foster, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States," reported amendments.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1795.

The bill to prevent depredations on the Indians south of the river Ohio was read the third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 12  
Nays . . . . . 7.

The yeas and nays being required by one fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Ellsworth, Foster, Hawkins, Izard, King, Martin, Potts, Rutherford, Strong, and Vining.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Brown, Burr, Jackson, Langdon, Livermore, and Robinson.

So it was,

*Resolved,* That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be "An act to prevent depredations on the Indians south of the river Ohio."

*Ordered,* That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.



The amendments reported by the committee, to whom was referred the bill to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned, were read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill to regulate the compensation of clerks was read the third time, and was amended, by restoring the first section, amended as follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of the Department of State, and the Secretary of the Department of War, be authorized to vary, for the present year, the compensations heretofore established for clerks in their respective departments, in such manner as the services to be performed shall in their judgment require; so, however, that no principal clerk shall receive more than at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, and that the aggregate of the compensations for the clerks, in either of the said departments, shall not, for the said year, exceed the aggregate of the compensations allowed for clerks in the same department, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four; and that an additional compensation, not exceeding the rate of two hundred dollars per annum, be allowed for one clerk employed by the director of the mint, during the present year."

On motion,

It was agreed to amend the second section, by inserting 'three hundred dollars' to the loan officer in the state of New Jersey, in lieu of clerk hire.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be, "An act to regulate the compensation of clerks."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The President laid before the Senate, a communication from the Secretary for the Department of Treasury, with a return of the exports from the United States for the year ending September the thirtieth, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, which were read.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

The bill to punish frauds committed on the Bank of the United States was read the third time.

A motion was made by Mr. Vining to amend the bill, by striking out these words, 'suffer death,' and to insert, 'shall be adjudged a felon, and fined and imprisoned at the discretion of the court;' and, after debate,

On motion,

*Resolved*, That this bill be postponed until the next Congress.

The consideration of the resolution authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases, was resumed, and being amended, by adding these words, 'and for public purposes only,' it was

*Resolved*, That this resolution pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this resolution.

The bill relative to the passing of coasting vessels between Long Island and Rhode Island was read the second time.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that the bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be "An act relative to the passing of coasting vessels between Long Island and Rhode Island."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Mr. Jackson laid before the Senate two acts of the state of Georgia, to wit: "An act for appropriating a part of the unlocated territory of the state for payment of the late state troops, and for other purposes therein mentioned;" and "An act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An act for appropriating a part of the unlocated territory of the state for the payment of the late state troops, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' declaring the right of the state to the unappropriated territory thereof for the protection and support of the frontiers of the state, and for other purposes."

On which he submitted the following motion to the consideration of the Senate:

"Whereas, one of the Senators of the state of Georgia has officially laid before Senate "An act of the legislature of the said state, entitled 'An act for appropriating a part of the unlocated territory of the state for payment of the late state troops, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' and in which the Senators and Represen-



tatives of the said state in Congress are required to apply, without loss of time, for a treaty to be held with such tribes or nations of Indians who may claim the right of sale to the territory therein pointed out for appropriation as aforesaid:

*Resolved*, That the Senate will advise and consent to the holding any treaty or treaties which the President of the United States may think necessary with the Creek nation, for the purpose of extinguishment of the claims of the said Indians to the lands in the said act of the state of Georgia appropriated; the same being included in a line to be drawn from the head of the Oconee to the Oakmulgee river, and from Fort Romulus, on the Oakmulgee, to the head of Saint Mary's river, and the old boundary line between the state of Georgia and the said Indians: Provided, that the whole expense of extinguishing the said claims, and the holding the said treaty or treaties, be defrayed and borne by the state of Georgia."

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the relief of William Seymour," was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed;" and, having adopted the amendments reported by the committee,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

The bill to amend the second section of "the act to erect a light-house on the head land of Cape Hatteras, and a lighted beacon on Shell Castle Island, in the harbor of Occacock, in the state of North Carolina," was read the second time and amended.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The memorial of Rd. Claiborne, was presented and read, praying that "a law may pass, authorizing the importation of inventions, and allowing to original importers a certain privilege in proportion to that allowed by the patent law to inventors."

*Ordered*, That this memorial lie on the table.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath this day approved and signed "An act for the relief of Angus M'Lean," and "An act for allowing an additional compensation to the judges of the districts of Rhode Island and Delaware."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject," be recommitted.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government," was read the first time.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the rule be dispensed with, and that the bill be now read the second time.

*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Rutherford, Jackson, and Bradford, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives do not concur in the bill sent from the Senate, entitled "An act to prevent depredations on the Indians south of the river Ohio."

They have passed a bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States,'" and the bill, entitled "An act for extending the time relative to drawbacks on the exportation of certain military stores;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate

The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man, and Frantz Jacob Foltz;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of



Robert Barton and others;" and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The bills last brought from the House of Representatives for concurrence were severally read.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, that these bills be now severally read the second time.

*Ordered*, That these bills be severally referred to Messrs. Cabot, King, and Morris, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Senate took into consideration the amendments reported by the committee to the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt."

On motion,

To agree to the following amendment reported by the committee, respecting the subscribers to a loan, for which the second section provides, to wit:

Section 2d, line 13th, strike out, 'may be reimbursed at any time,' and insert 'shall be reimbursed within twenty years, and may be reimbursed at any time after the expiration of twelve years:'

It passed in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 15  
Nays . . . . . 9.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Ellsworth, Frelinghuysen, Hawkins, Izard, King, Langdon, Livermore, Mitchell, Morris, Ross, Rutherford, Strong, and Vining.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Brown, Burr, Edwards, Foster, Jackson, Martin, Potts, and Robinson.

And the other amendments reported by the committee being agreed to,

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act relative to the passing of coasting vessels between Long Island and Rhode Island."

They concur in the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed."

The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he this day approved and signed "An act to provide some present relief to the officers of government, and other citizens, who have suffered in their property by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania;" and "An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse." And he withdrew.

On motion,

The bill to amend the second section of an act to erect a light-house on the head land of Cape Hatteras, and a lighted beacon on Shell Castle Island in the harbor of Occacock in the state of North Carolina, was considered.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be "An act to amend the second section of an act to erect a light-house on the head land of Cape Hatteras, and a lighted beacon on Shell Castle Island, in the harbor of Occacock, in the state of North Carolina."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The President laid before the Senate a certificate signed George Latimer, chairman, purporting that the Honorable William Bingham was, on the 26th instant, elected a Senator of the United States for the commonwealth of Pennsylvania; which was read.

*Ordered*, That it lie on file.

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1795.

The honorable James Gunn, from the state of Georgia, attended.



The bill to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Galliopolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

On motion it was agreed to strike out these words, section 3d, line 7th, 'his heirs or assigns shall not, within three years from the date of the same patent, make, or cause to be made, actual settlement on the same tract of land, and the same continue for three years,' and in lieu thereof insert, 'or his heirs shall not personally, within three years, from the date of the same patent, settle on the same tract of land, and there continue settled, for three years next.'

On motion, it was agreed to amend the last mentioned boundary, section 1st, to read 'thence at right angles from each extremity of the said line;' also, that the male inhabitants be numbered, from eighteen years and upwards, instead of seventeen.

On motion, to amend the bill, so as that the survey be made at the expense of the grantees,

It passed in the negative.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 14  
Nays . . . . . 8.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Brown, Burr, Edwards, Foster, Gunn, Hawkins, Jackson, Izard, Langdon, Livermore, Martin, Robinson, and Vining.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Ellsworth, Frelinghuysen, King, Mitchell, Ross, and Strong.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass; that it be engrossed; and that the title thereof be "An act to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Galliopolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

A confidential message of this date was received from the President of the United States. See Executive Record of this date.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act relative to the passing of coasting vessels between Long Island and Rhode Island;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act relative to cessations of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Seymour;" and that they were duly enrolled.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt," was read the third time.

On motion, by Mr. Burr, to strike out the amendment agreed to yesterday, to wit: section 2d, line 13th, strike out 'may be reimbursed at any time,' and insert 'shall be reimbursed within twenty years, and may be reimbursed at any time after the expiration of twelve years:'

It passed in the negative.

On motion to insert the following section after the 5th, to wit:

"Be it further enacted, That a loan be opened at the Treasury to the full amount of the outstanding and unbarred new emission bills of credit, the sums which shall be subscribed to be payable in the principal and interest of such bills, computing the interest thereon to the first day of January next, and that the subscriber or subscribers shall be entitled to receive therefor a certificate for the amount of the principal sum so subscribed and paid, bearing an interest of five per centum per annum from the first day of January next, payable quarter yearly at the Treasury, and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States, by the payment of the sum specified therein, and containing a stipulation that the United States will redeem the same before the expiration of thirty years from the passing of this act, and also to another certificate for the amount of the interest on the sum so subscribed, computing the same to the first of January next, bearing an interest of three per centum per annum from the first day of January next, payable quarter yearly at the Treasury, and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States, by the payment of the sum specified therein:"

It passed in the negative.

On motion, by Mr. Burr, to add the following proviso to the 11th section, to wit:

"Provided, nevertheless, That, whenever the said six per cent. stock shall be under par, it shall be the duty of the commissioners of the sinking fund to lay out, in the



It passed in the negative.

"SEC. 20. And be it further enacted, That so much of the act laying duties upon carriages for the conveyance of persons, and of the act laying duties on licences for selling wines and foreign distilled spirituous liquors by retail, and of the act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar, and of the act laying duties on property sold at auction, as limits the duration of the said several acts, be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and that all the said several acts be, and the same are hereby, continued in force until the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and one:"

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Brown, Burr, Cabot, Ellsworth, Foster, Frelinghuysen, Gunn, Hawkins, Izard, King, Langdon, Livermore, Martin, Mitchell, Robinson, Ross, Rutherford, Strong, and Vining.

So it was

**Ordered,** That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendment to this bill.

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar,'" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States;" and having agreed to sundry amendments reported by the committee,

Mr. Ross reported, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, that they did this day lay before the President of the United States the following bills, viz. the enrolled bill entitled "An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Seymour;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act relative to the passing of coasting vessels between Long Island and Rhode Island;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Barton and others;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Francis Jacob Foltz."

**Ordered,** That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar,'" was read the first time.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the second time.



*Ordered*, That this bill be referred to Messrs. Cabot, Ellsworth, and Izard, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Honorable Henry Latimer, from the state of Delaware, in place of the Honorable George Read, resigned, attended, and produced his credentials, which were read; and, the oath prescribed by law being administered, he took his seat in the Senate.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to Monday next, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

### MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1795.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt," with an amendment, in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to their amendment of the bill last mentioned; and,

*Resolved*, That they disagree to the said amendment.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Senate recede from their amendment to the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. King, from the committee appointed to take into consideration certain laws of the state of Georgia, referred to in the message of the President of the United States of the 25th of February last, reported a resolution, which was read, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That the President of the United States be, and hereby is, requested to give directions to the Attorney General to collect, digest, and report to the Senate, the charters, treaties, and other documents, relative to, and explanatory of, the title to the land situate in the southwestern parts of the United States, and claimed by certain companies under a law of the state of Georgia, passed the seventh day of January last, namely: a tract of land claimed by James Gunn, Matthew M'Allister, and George Walker, and their associates; also, a tract of land claimed by Nicholas Long, Thomas Glasscock, Ambrose Gordon, and Thomas Cumming, and their associates; also, a tract of land claimed by John B. Scott, John C. Nightingale, and Wade Hampton, and their associates; and, also, a tract of land claimed by Zachariah Cox, and Mathias Maher, and their associates."

*Ordered*, That the report lie for consideration.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States," was read the third time.

On motion, that the further consideration of this bill be postponed until the next Congress:

It passed in the negative.

On motion to expunge the 4th section of the bill, as follows:

"And be it further enacted, That in all cases where the final decision of the Comptroller shall be against the claimant, it shall and may be lawful for him, at any time thereafter, within six months from such decision, to appeal to the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Attorney General, for the time being, who are hereby authorized and required to hear such claimant on such suspended claims, and fully to determine the same upon the principles of equity and justice; which determination shall be final and conclusive to all concerned."

It passed in the negative.

On motion to add the following sections to the bill,

"And be it further enacted, That in all cases of a decision by the Comptroller in favor of the United States, where the party against whom such decision is had shall not appeal, agreeably to the provisions of the fourth section of this act, and in all cases of an appeal, and a decision in favor of the United States, it shall be the duty of the Comptroller to direct the Attorney of the United States to bring suit in the proper court for the recovery of the balance thus awarded to be due to the United States. And the Attorney of the United States, at the time of issuing such process, shall file with the clerk a declaration, or short note, expressing the cause of action, a copy of which declaration, or short note, certified by the clerk, shall be sent with the writ, and the copy of the declaration, or short note, being served on the defendant or defendants, or left at the last place of abode, twenty days before the return of the writ, it shall and may be lawful for the courts, respectively, and they are hereby authorized and required, to cause such defendant or defendants to plead to issue, and



The President laid before the Senate a report from the Secretary for the Department of War, communicating, by order of the President of the United States, letters and do-



cuments received from major general Wayne, and from James Seagrove, agent for Indian Affairs for the Creek nation, which were read.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

The President also laid before the Senate statements of such claims to invalid pensions as have been received and examined, from the 21st to the 28th of February last.

*Ordered*, That they lie for consideration.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes,'" was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

Mr. Ross, from the committee, reported that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt;" and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

Mr. King, from the committee appointed to take into consideration certain laws of the state of Georgia, referred to in the message of the President of the United States of the 25th of February last, reported a bill authorizing the purchase of Indian goods, which was read.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the second time.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Ordered*, That the question on the passage of this bill be postponed.

Mr. Cabot, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar,'" reported amendments, which were read.

On motion, to postpone the further consideration of this bill until the next Congress, It passed in the negative.

And the amendments reported by the committee being agreed to,

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject," was read the third time.

On motion, it was agreed to amend the 8th section, by adding, after 'rations,' the following words: 'or the value thereof, at the contract price, where the same shall become due, and if, at such post, supplies are not furnished by contract, then such allowance as shall be deemed equitable, having reference to former contracts, and the position of the place in question.'

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to this bill.

The following written messages were received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

It appears, from the information which I have lately received, that it may be probably necessary to the more successful conduct of our affairs on the coast of Barbary, that one consul should reside in Morocco, another in Algiers, and a third in Tunis or Tripoli. As no appointment for these offices will be accepted without some emolument annexed, I submit to the consideration of Congress whether it may not be advisable to authorize a stipend to be allowed to two consuls for that coast in addition to the one already existing.

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, March 2, 1795.*



*Gentlemen of the Senate*

*and of the House of Representatives:*

I transmit to you copies of a letter from the Governor of the state of Delaware, and of an act enclosed, "declaring the assent of that state to an amendment, therein mentioned, to the constitution of the United States."

G. WASHINGTON.

*United States, March 2, 1795.*

The messages and papers were read.

*Ordered,* That these messages severally lie for consideration.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed the bill, sent from the Senate for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

They have passed the resolution, sent from the Senate for concurrence, "authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases," with amendments; in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments of the House of Representatives to the resolution last mentioned; and

*Resolved,* That they disagree thereto.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

The President laid before the Senate a letter from Samuel Meredith, Treasurer of the United States, with his accounts to 31st December last; which was read.

*Ordered,* That the letter and accounts lie for consideration.

The President laid before the Senate a return from the Secretary for the Department of War of claims for invalid pensions, made on the 28th of February last.

*Ordered,* That it lie for consideration.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States;" which were adopted, and the bill amended accordingly

*Ordered,* That this bill pass to the third reading.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they did this day lay before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt."

Mr. Rutherford, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government," reported amendments.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act making provision for the purposes of treaty and of trade with the Indians;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

The House of Representatives concur in the bill, sent from the Senate, entitled "An act to regulate the compensation of clerks," with an amendment; in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to place certain persons named therein on the pension list;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject." They also agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States." And he withdrew.

The bill last brought from the House of Representatives for concurrence was read.

*Ordered,* That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Cabot, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act establishing a mint and regulating the coins of the United States,' reported amendments.

The Senate adjourned to 6 o'clock in the evening.



MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 2, 1795.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the compensation of clerks;" and

*Resolved*, That the Senate concur therein.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives adhere to their amendments to the resolution, authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases."

They have passed a bill, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons, and repealing the former act for that purpose," in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate." And he withdrew.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments reported by the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government," which were in part adopted.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons, and repealing the former act for that purpose," was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar,' be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments.

On motion to agree, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons, and repealing the former act for that purpose," be now read the second time:

It passed in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 16  
                                      { Nays . . . . . 6.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Cabot, Edwards, Ellsworth, Foster, Frelinghuysen, Izard, King, Latimer, Martin, Mitchell, Morris, Potts, Rutherford, Strong, and Vining.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Burr, Gunn, Jackson, Livermore, and Ross.

So the consent not being unanimous, the question was lost.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the amendments adhered to by the House of Representatives, to the resolution authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases; which are as follows:

Line 1st, strike out 'resolved,' and insert, 'be it enacted.'

Strike out the proviso.

In the title, strike out, 'resolution,' and insert 'an act.'

And on the question being put severally, on the amendments,

*Resolved*, That the Senate recede therefrom.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States," be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments.

The following bill being read the first time,

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and



that the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making provision for the purposes of treaty and of trade with the Indians," be now read the second time.

A motion was made, by Mr. Jackson, and seconded by Mr. Bradley, to strike out, after the word 'Ohio,' to the end of the bill, and insert, 'to certain lands in the state of Georgia, lying between the Oconee and Oakmulgee rivers, included within a line to be drawn from the head of the former to the head of the latter river; as also to certain lands in the said state, included within a line to be drawn from a place named Fort Romulus, on the said river Oakmulgee, in a direct course, to the head of the river St. Mary's, the same being the lands formerly known as, and included within, the county of Talassee, in the said state, and which county was given up to the Creek nation by the treaty of New York:'

It passed in the negative.

On motion, it was agreed to strike out, after the word 'assembled,' in the first section, to the word 'enacted,' inclusive, in the second section; also, to amend the title, by expunging the words 'treaty and of' therefrom.

On the question, Shall this bill pass to the third reading, as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas . . . . . 18} \\ \text{Nays . . . . . 3.} \end{array} \right.$

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Bradley, Brown, Burr, Cabot, Ellsworth, Frelinghuysen, Gunn, Izard, King, Latimer, Livermore, Mitchell, Potts, Ross, Rutherford, Strong, and Vining.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Hawkins, Langdon, and Martin.

Mr. Jackson declined voting on the question.

*Ordered*, That this bill pass to the third reading, as amended.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to authorize the President of the United States to obtain a cession of claim to certain territory;" in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate.

They agree to the amendments of the Senate to the following bills: the bill, entitled "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar;'" the bill, entitled "An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government;" and the bill, entitled "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States." And he withdrew.

The bill last brought up for concurrence was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

On motion to dispense with the rule, and to agree, by unanimous consent, that this bill be now read the second time:

It passed in the negative.

On motion, it was agreed, by unanimous consent, to dispense with the rule, and that the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States,'" be now read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with the amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments.

On motion, that the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to place certain persons, named therein, on the pension list," be now read the second time, by unanimous consent:

It was objected to.

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1795.

Mr. Cabot reported, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act for extending the time relative to drawbacks on the exportation of certain military stores." Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That this bill do not pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives that the Senate do not concur in this bill.



The memorial of the merchants in the district of Providence, in the state of Rhode Island, was presented and read, praying for an explanatory amendment of the law entitled "An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels," in regard to the vessels bound to Providence coming to anchor and remaining longer than twenty-four hours, in the harbor and district of Newport.

*Ordered*, That this memorial lie on the table.

The bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons, and repealing the former act for that purpose," was read the second time and amended, by striking out the 13th section of the bill, as follows:

"And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, and he is hereby empowered to make such allowances for compensation to the officers of inspection employed in the collection of the duties aforesaid, and for incidental expenses, as he shall judge reasonable, not exceeding in the whole five per centum of the total amount of the said duties collected."

On motion,

It was agreed to amend the 14th section of the bill, by inserting, in line 5th, after the word 'notwithstanding,' these words: 'but the revenue to arise from the duty on carriages for the conveyance of persons shall remain charged with the same appropriations as if this act had not passed.'

On motion to dispense with the rule, and that this bill be now read a third time by unanimous consent,

It was not agreed to.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States.'" And he withdrew.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to regulate the compensation of clerks;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "An act authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases;" and that they were duly enrolled.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the resolution, reported yesterday, relative to the title to certain land situate in the southwestern parts of the United States.

On motion, by Mr. Jackson, to strike out all the resolution after the words 'southwestern parts of the United States,' in the 8th and 9th lines:

It passed in the negative.

On motion, by Mr. Burr, to amend the resolution, by striking out all the words after the words 'explanatory of,' line 6th, and inserting 'the extent and boundaries of the state of Georgia, and the title of the said state to the lands by them sold or claimed:'

It passed in the negative.

On motion to agree to the resolution,

It was determined in the affirmative, } Yeas . . . . . 19  
 } Nays . . . . . 2.

The yeas and nays being required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradford, Brown, Burr, Cabot, Ellsworth, Gunn, Hawkins, Izard, King, Latimer, Livermore, Martin, Mitchell, Morris, Potts, Robinson, Rutherford, Strong, and Vining.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Frelinghuysen and Jackson.

The Secretary desired the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this resolution.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:



*Mr. President:* The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act making provision for the purposes of a treaty and of trade with the Indians," was read the third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass as amended.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary desire the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments.

The Senate proceeded to the second reading of the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to place certain persons named therein on the pension list.

On motion,

*Resolved,* That the further consideration of this bill be postponed until the next Congress.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they did this day lay the enrolled bills last signed by the President of the Senate before the President of the United States.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to regulate trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes,'" was read the second time.

On motion to strike out the following words, section 1st, line 4th to 6th, 'unless it shall be in continuation of a pursuit (not approaching nearer than five miles to any Indian town) of the particular Indians who shall have recently committed murder, or may be carrying off captives:'

It passed in the negative.

On motion to dispense with the rule by unanimous consent, and that the bill be now read the third time,

It was objected to by Mr. Jackson.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act making provision for the purposes of treaty and of trade with the Indians." And he withdrew.

The bill authorizing the purchase of Indian goods having been read the third time,

On motion,

*Resolved,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed until the next Congress.

On motion,

*Resolved,* That the bill making an extra allowance to certain clerks in the public offices, and to the widows and families of certain deceased clerks, be postponed to the next Congress.

The bill sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act to authorize the President of the United States to obtain a cession of claim to certain territory," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Burr, to amend the bill, to be read as follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to obtain, by purchase or donation, a relinquishment and cession of the whole or any part of the lands claimed by or under the state of Georgia, and without the ordinary jurisdiction thereof:"

It passed in the negative.

On motion, by Mr. Hawkins, to reconsider the amendment last proposed, and to adopt the same, it was agreed to.

On motion to dispense with the rule by unanimous consent, and that this bill be now read the third time, as amended,

It was objected to by Mr. Jackson.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives concur in the resolution of the Senate relative to the title to certain land situate in the southwestern parts of the United States, with an amendment to strike out 'Senate,' and insert 'next Congress,' in line 5th, in which they desire the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the last mentioned resolution; and,



*Resolved*, That they do concur therein.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized and directed to pay to James Mathers, doorkeeper to the Senate, out of any moneys appropriated to defray the contingent expenses of the Senate, one hundred and fifty dollars, for extra services.

On motion to dispense with the rule by unanimous consent, and that the bill, sent from the House of Representatives for concurrence, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons, and repealing the former act for that purpose," be now read the third time:

It was not agreed to.

Mr. Burr laid before the Senate a motion, as follows:

*Resolved*, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, two-thirds of both Houses concurring, that the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states, as an amendment to the constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of the said legislatures, shall be valid as part of the said constitution, to wit:

"That the term for which the members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the next Congress are or shall be chosen shall expire on the first day of June next following the third day of March, on which it would have expired if this amendment to the constitution had not been adopted."

*Ordered*, That this motion lie for consideration.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 5 o'clock in the evening.

## TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 3, 1795.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "An act making provision for the purposes of trade with the Indians," and that it was duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate, for the signature of the President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States for his approbation.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives, having finished the business of the session, are about to adjourn. And he withdrew.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Izard and Morris be a committee, jointly, with such committee as the House of Representatives may appoint on their part, to wait on the President of the United States, and inform him that Congress is ready to adjourn without day, unless he may have any further communications to make.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith, and desire the appointment of a committee on their part.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have appointed a joint committee on their part to wait on the President of the United States, and inform him that Congress is ready to adjourn. And he withdrew.

Mr. Ross reported, from the committee, that they had laid the enrolled bill last signed before the President of the United States.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Dandridge, his Secretary:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States this day approved and signed "An act authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases;" "An act to regulate the compensation of clerks;" and "An act to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Gallipolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Beckley, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States hath notified the House of Representatives that he this day approved and signed "An act for the more effectual



recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States;" "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States;" "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act establishing a mint and regulating the coins of the United States:'" "An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government;" "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar;" "An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject;" "An act making provision for the purposes of trade with the Indians;" and "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt." And he withdrew.

Mr. Izard reported, from the joint committee, that they had waited on the President of the United States, who informed them that he had no further communications to make to Congress during this session. Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Senate adjourn without day.

Attest,

SAMUEL A. OTIS, *Secretary*.

# APPENDIX.

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## *The Acts passed at the Second Session of the Third Congress of the United States of America, are,*

- An act to authorize the President to call out and station a corps of militia in the four western counties of Pennsylvania, for a limited time.
- An act extending the privilege of franking to James White, the delegate from the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, and making provision for his compensation.
- An act to amend and explain the twenty-second section of the act establishing the judicial courts of the United States.
- An act authorizing a loan of two million of dollars.
- An act to authorize the officers of the Treasury to audit and pass the account of the late Edward Blanchard, deceased.
- An act making appropriations for the support of the military establishment for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and for the expenses of the militia lately called into the service of the United States.
- An act for the relief of Peter Covenhoven.
- An act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five.
- An act authorizing the transfer of stock standing to the credit of certain states.
- An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes.
- An act providing for the payment of certain instalments of foreign debts, and of the third instalment due on a loan made of the Bank of the United States.
- An act in addition to the act, entitled "An act to regulate the pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the militia of the United States, when called into actual service, and for other purposes."
- An act further extending the time for receiving on loan the domestic debt of the United States.
- An act to authorize the settlement of the claim of Samuel Prioleau.
- An act making further provision in cases of drawbacks.
- An act for the relief of Epaphras Jones, and others.
- An act supplementary to the several acts imposing duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States.
- An act for reviving certain suits and process which have been discontinued in the district court of Pennsylvania.
- An act for the remission of the tonnage duties on certain French vessels.
- An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject.
- An act relative to the compensations of certain officers employed in the collection of the duties of impost and tonnage.
- An act to authorize the allowance of drawback on part of the cargo of the ship Enterprise.
- An act to amend the act, entitled "An act making alterations in the Treasury and War Departments."
- An act authorizing the erection of a light-house near the entrance of Georgetown harbor, in the state of South Carolina.
- An act supplementary to the act concerning invalids.
- An act to establish the office of purveyor of public supplies.
- An act for the reimbursement of a loan authorized by an act of the last session of Congress.



- An act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to provide more effectually for the collection of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships or vessels.
- An act enabling George Gibbs to obtain a drawback of the duties on certain exported wines.
- An act to continue in force the act "for ascertaining the fees in admiralty proceedings in the district courts of the United States, and for other purposes."
- An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to establish the post office and post roads within the United States."
- An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions; and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes.
- An act for the relief of Angus M'Lean.
- An act to provide some present relief to the officers of government and other citizens who have suffered in their property by the insurgents in the western counties of Pennsylvania.
- An act authorizing the payment of four thousand dollars, for the use of the daughters of the late Count de Grasse.
- An act for allowing an additional compensation to the judges of the districts of Rhode Island and Delaware.
- An act relative to the passing of coasting vessels between Long Island and Rhode Island.
- An act to continue in force, for a limited time, the acts therein mentioned.
- An act relative to cessions of jurisdiction in places where light-houses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, have been, or may hereafter be, erected and fixed.
- An act for the relief of William Seymour.
- An act for the relief of Robert Barton and others.
- An act for the relief of Spencer Man and Frantz Jacob Foltz.
- An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt.
- An act for the more effectual recovery of debts due from individuals to the United States.
- An act making further appropriations for the military and naval establishments, and for the support of government.
- An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States.
- An act for continuing and regulating the military establishment of the United States, and for repealing sundry acts heretofore passed on that subject.
- An act to alter and amend the act, entitled "An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar."
- An act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States."
- An act to authorize a grant of lands to the French inhabitants of Galliopolis, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
- An act to regulate the compensation of clerks.
- An act authorizing the exportation of arms, cannon, and military stores, in certain cases.
- An act making provision for the purposes of trade with the Indians.

*The Senators of the United States who have taken their seats are in the following Classes, and their seats will be vacated, as the Constitution provides, at the periods under mentioned, calculated from March 3d, 1795.*

IN TWO YEARS.	IN FOUR YEARS.	The following States are entitled to return each a Senator.
Mr. Burr, Mr. Cabot, Mr. Ellsworth, Mr. Foster, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Potts, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Ross, Mr. Rutherford.	Mr. Bradford, Mr. Brown, Mr. Butler, Mr. Livermore, Mr. Frelinghuysen, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Strong, Mr. Tazewell, Mr. Vining.	New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia.

The Senators who may take their seats after 3d March, 1795, will, of course, go into the six years class, except the Senator from Virginia, who will come in place of Mr. Monroe, and be in the two years class.